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WE MAKE no apologies this week for devoting a fair dollop of our action-packed magazine to Liverpool Football Club.

No one could deny they have undoubtedly been the team of the seventies — twice winning the European Cup, twice the UEFA Cup, once the FA Cup and no less than four Division One championships. Incredible.

Their record of only 11 home league defeats since January 1970 speaks volumes for the relentless search for success — in fact they have emerged, after a shaky start, as almost invincible.

On Page 8 we have plotted a decade of success for the Anfield Club and pin-pointed the rare players who have scored match-winners against the Kop roar.

Ron Atkinson on Page 4 tips Liverpool to meet Wolves in the League Cup Final at Wembley

FRONT PAGE: Gunning for goal! Arsenal's John Hollins steps over a challenge from Wolves' Willie Carr to set up another attack for the Gunners.

and he's well qualified to judge after the Reds steamrollered Ron's Albion at the Hawthorns in December.

Rounding-up the line-up of big names, which MATCH WEEKLY brings you every Thursday are Kevin Keegan with another skill to practice, Brian Clough talking about Stan Bowles and Stan Bowles talking about Stan Bowles! We have captured Stan's last goal for Queen's Park Rangers before his transfer to Forest, in our Golden Goals feature on page 13 and it was a real gem to sign off with.

For our spotlight this week's MATCH WEEKLY visited Crystal Palace to talk to the manager and players about life in the BIG League. As I said, it's another issue full of all you need to know about football. Make sure of a copy every week and keep on the ball with us.

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Backs battle

A BATTLE royale between West Bromwich Albion's Derek Statham and Birmingham City's Mark Dennis for the left-back spot in the England side is forecast by Garry Pendrey.

The former Birmingham City defender is now with Albion and feels that Statham currently has a slight edge over Dennis and that he will be pushing Kenny Sansom very hard for a place in the England team later this season.

Pendrey said: "Derek has a great deal of skill on the ball and the way he is playing at the moment marks him as a great star of the future."

Learning fast

NOEL Blake, 17-year-old centre back with Aston Villa, is learning fast.

The youngster, who was born in Kingston, Jamaica, confesses: "I always used to lose my temper quickly, but I have now learned to control it and, of course, I'm a far better player for it."

Now he hopes to make his League debut before the end of the season. His form for the Central League side has won him a lot of friends and first-team soccer must be a strong possibility before he is much older.

United at home in the Med

MANCHESTER United fans on the Mediterranean Island of Malta can now boast they never miss their team's home games — thanks to Panasonic.

At the club's Old Trafford ground last week former soccer idol Bobby Charlton presented Maltese Suppporter's Club Chairman Joe Glanville with a special Panasonic U-Vision video tape recorder.

Now the Maltese club's 800 members will be able to watch taped recordings of United's matches just a couple of days after they've been played in Manchester.

Our photograph shows, from left to right: former soccer star Bobby Charlton with Joe Glanville, Maltese Suppporter's Club chairman, and United players Gordon McQueen and Joe Jordan.

'Jordan the key'

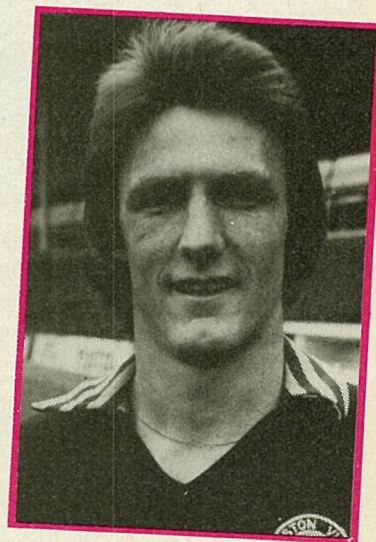
JOE Jordan's presence in the Manchester United forward line is a crucial factor in the Red's push for the League championship this season.

He missed some important games through injury earlier in the season and that left United with a small forward line and little Lou Macari with the job of front runner.

But manager Dave Sexton spelled out the importance of having Joe Jordan back in the side:

"When we won at Coventry it was the best I had seen him play since his return to the side."

"We missed him when he was injured because without him we are very lightweight."



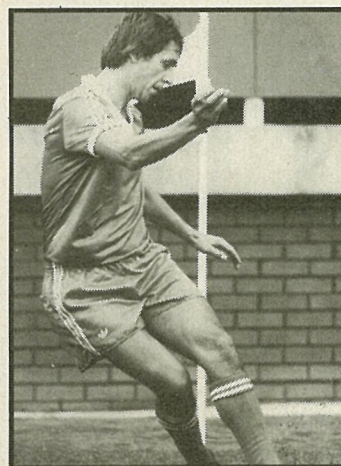
Allan Evans

'Marked men'

ALLAN Evans, Aston Villa's vastly improved defender, was recently banned from playing for the Midland club because he had totted up 20 disciplinary points.

Now the Scot is beginning to get worried because he feels he has become a marked man in the eyes of referees.

Evans said: "Most of the bookings have been for trivial offences. Unfortunately some of my opponents have over-reacted to the situation and made the offences far worse than they were in the first place."



It's a tribute to the talent of Stan Bowles that a club like Forest are prepared to buy him, says Notts. County's Don Masson.

'Stan needs Clough'-Masson

STAN BOWLES soon found himself an ally in Nottingham when he arrived from Queen's Park Rangers to take on a fresh challenge with the European champions.

Across the River Trent at Notts County, Scottish international Don Masson knows all about the sparkling skills of Bowles. He said: "In some ways Stan has wasted his career because he should be playing regularly for England... but now that can all change."

"He needs someone like Brian Clough to handle him and it wouldn't surprise me in the slightest to see him back in the international side."

"It's a tribute to his talents that a club like Forest are prepared to buy him and I am convinced that they will get good value for money."

Masson spent three years admiring the skill of Bowles at close quarters when they were colleagues in the Rangers side which was so exciting and successful under Dave Sexton. He added: "Stan's the best left-footed player I have been associated with. His natural ability is outstanding and I am delighted he's got such a great move."

FOREST FOR ME . . . says Leeds' boss Adamson

LEEDS boss Jimmy Adamson slated his team's FA Cup performance on Saturday and then predicted: "I wouldn't be surprised to see Forest go on and reach the final."

He was talking just minutes after Leeds crashed 4-1 at home to Brian Clough's rejuvenated merry men from Nottingham.

"The way we gave the first two goals away was criminal. You can't expect to survive if you give goals away like that," said Adamson.

"We didn't play well. We didn't create enough chances and we didn't create enough problems for Shilton — they had about six chances and took four of them," he added.

Leeds had plenty of possession in the third-round game, but they rarely looked like scoring and they couldn't cope with the lightning Forest counter attacks. To add to their woe, striker Alan Curtis may be out for three weeks following a

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trick hero of the same game — was handed the match ball signed by his team-mates.

The number of sending off cases this season soared to 80 after Saturday's matches. Jinx number one to visiting teams must be Burnley's Turf Moor where Stoke (who lost 1-0) became the fourth club in less than two years to have two players dismissed in one match. The other teams were Sheffield United, Sunderland and Cambridge United.

BELOW: The moment that gave Leeds fans a glimmer of hope on Saturday. Forest's Larry Lloyd (wearing number 5 in the dark strip) is about to turn the ball past his own keeper Peter Shilton in a goalmouth scramble in the second half at Elland Road. RIGHT:

Manchester United's keeper Gary Bailey stretches for a high ball as Tottenham's Osvaldo Ardiles sits down on the job in the FA Cup third round clash at White Hart Lane on Saturday. The match finished 1-1.



Unlucky 13!

Chester became the thirteenth lower grade club since the war to knock Newcastle United out of the FA Cup with their shock 2-0 win at St James' Park. Others to have done it include: Bradford, Rotherham, Millwall, Scunthorpe, Sheffield United, Peterborough, Carlisle, Hereford and Walsall.

collision with Shilton in the game.

"It's a very disappointing result for us because we wanted to go on and do well in the cup, but we created our own problems by not using our loafs, especially in the first ten minutes.

"But this could be the turning point for Forest and all credit to them — they took their chances and we didn't," said Adamson.

Fourth Division Halifax fixed the multi-million pound Manchester City outfit in a hypnotic stare to send them spinning out of the cup.

Romark the showbiz mystery personality, who once put a curse on City boss Malcolm Allison, really sealed Mal's fate this time by convincing the Halifax players they would win.

Said Halifax boss George Kirby after his team's shock 1-0 victory: "He made everyone feel we just couldn't lose."

Charlton's 6-0 defeat at Wrexham was the biggest cup defeat in their 58-year history. Dixie McNeil's two goals in that game means that he has scored in all Wrexham's nine FA Cup round ties in the last three seasons. Mick Vinter — hat-



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Football League Cup Semi-Final preview

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SWINDON WILL MAKE IT TOUGH

WOLVES should make it to Wembley for their first final appearance since 1974 – but be warned, Swindon Town will give them one hell of a tie!

I saw their epic struggle with Arsenal and they've got skill, style and commitment which would not be amiss at the top of the Second Division.

In fact, if this tie had been played before Christmas I would have given Swindon a real chance. They were absolutely bubbling after their 4–3 win over Arsenal.

This is also a unique match in that Swindon have so much of the skill and flair you would normally associate with a First Division club.

In this case, it could be the other way round. Wolves have become much more of an efficient machine under John Barnwell and Richie Barker.

They also have tremendous experience, much of which stems from their captain and former Liverpool warhorse, Emlyn Hughes.

His will be a valuable influence when Swindon produce the almost inevitable early home barrage on Wednesday.

And that is when Town are at their best – going forward. Allan Mayes and Andy Rowland have hit 30 goals between them in Division Three – and don't let that fact take anything away from these two. Scoring 30 goals needs some doing at any level in the League.

Swindon also have men who love to attack in Chris Kamara, Ian Miller and Brian Williams. They really do move up quickly.

Sadly for Town, it's this love of going forward which could prove their undoing. For Wolves have a couple of chaps named Gray and Richards who might just like the sort of chances which should come their way.

Wolves will also have learned from their three-match struggle with Grimsby Town. They won't make the mistake of under-estimating a Third Division club which has just bundled Arsenal out of the competition.

And their own desire to get to Wembley, after falling at the F.A. Cup semi-final hurdle last time out, should see them through.



How they got there:

SWINDON: First Round v Portsmouth (a) 1–1, v Portsmouth (h) 2–0 (won 3–1 on agg); Second Round v Chester (h) 1–0, v Chester (a) 1–1 (won 2–1 on agg); Third Round v Stoke (a) 2–2, v Stoke (h) 2–1; Fourth Round v Wimbledon (a) 2–1; Fifth Round v Arsenal (a) 1–1, v Arsenal (h) 4–3.

WOLVES: Second Round v Burnley (a) 1–1, v Burnley (h) 2–0 (won 3–1 on agg); Third Round v Crystal Palace (a) 2–1; Fourth Round v Q.P.R. (a) 1–1, v Q.P.R. (h) 1–0; Fifth Round v Grimsby (a) 0–0, v Grimsby (h) 1–1, v Grimsby (at Derby) 2–0.

LIVERPOOL: Second Round v Tranmere Rovers (a) 0–0, v Tranmere Rovers (h) 4–0 (won 4–0 on agg); Third Round v Chesterfield (h) 3–1; Fourth Round v Exeter (h) 2–0; Fifth Round v Norwich (a) 3–1.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST: Second Round v Blackburn Rovers (a) 1–1, v Blackburn Rovers (h) 6–1 (won 7–2 on agg); Third Round v Middlesbrough (a) 3–1; Fourth Round v Bristol City (a) 1–1, v Bristol City (h) 3–0; Fifth Round v West Ham (a) 0–0, v West Ham (h) 3–0.



FIRST legs to be played at Forest and Swindon on Wednesday, January 16, with the return legs taking place on Wednesday, February 13.



Wolves' strike force of John Richards (above) and Andy Gray should take advantage of the space Swindon leave at the back.

SWINDON		WOLVES
9	Goalpower	8
8	Midfield strength	8
7	Defence	8
7	Experience	9
9	Crowd influence	8
7	Big match temperament	9
9	Managers	9
9	Workrate	9
10	Form	8
8	Skill	8
83	TOTAL	84
100	Maximum	100

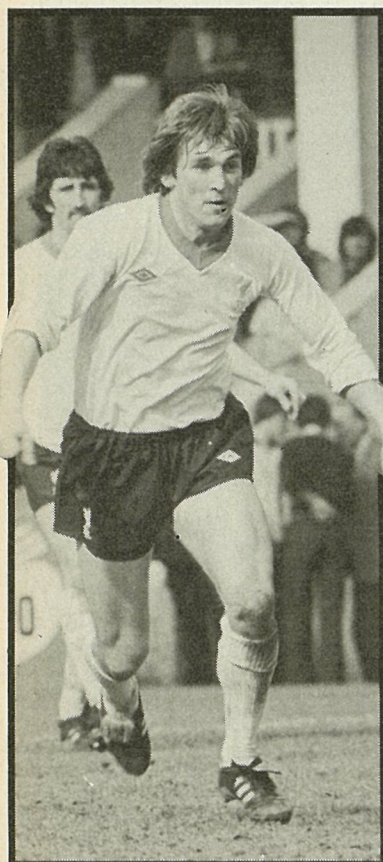
● Ron Atkinson was talking

—RON ATKINSON predicts . . .

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FOREST'S DAY OF RECKONING



Kenny Dalglish — how he copes against the Forest defence will be one of the key factors in the tie.

THE day of reckoning may finally have arrived for Nottingham Forest in their dealings with mighty Liverpool.

Brian Clough's men have inflicted considerable harm on the Anfield Reds by heaving them out of two competitions in successive seasons.

Remember their epic League Cup final victory two years ago when John Robertson won it with a lone penalty in an Old Trafford replay? And while Liverpool were still smarting from that reversal, Forest went one better last season and put them out of the European Cup.

It was 2-0, both goals coming in the first leg at Nottingham, and Garry Birtles got his first senior goal for the club. What a way to start!

But it is these two defeats which prompt me to suggest that Liverpool will be the team walking out at Wembley this time. They have two big scores to settle with their old foes. And mark my words, they won't have forgotten.

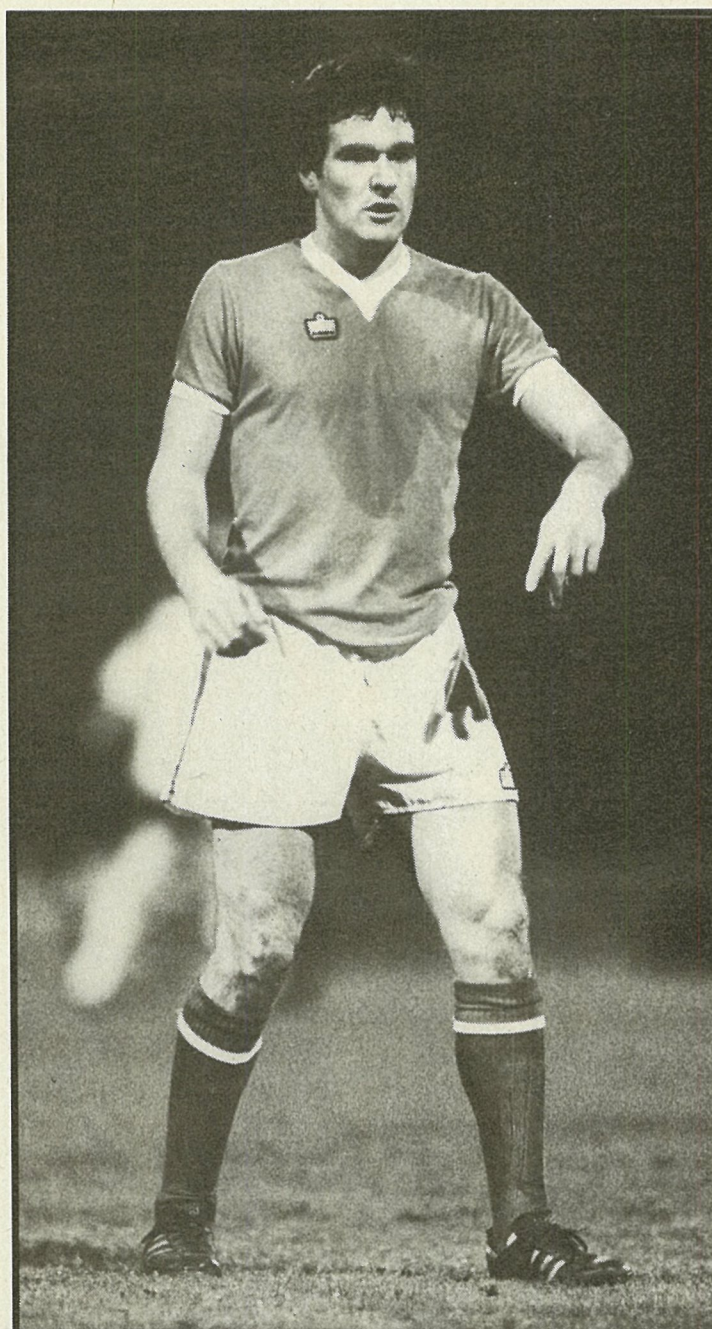
In saying that, I haven't forgotten the confident manner in which Forest normally deal with Liverpool. One of the key factors here has been the way in which they contain Kenny Dalglish. Both Kenny Burns and Larry Lloyd have done very well against him.

Liverpool will also need to master Peter Shilton. His incredible ability has broken more than a few hearts — Bob Paisley's among them.

But it's in midfield where this fabulous Liverpool team can really dominate proceedings. Jimmy Case, Graeme Souness, Terry McDermott and Ray Kennedy have struck up an understanding which should prove the deciding factor.

I am also worried for Forest in this department in that they don't have that relentless little character, Archie Gemmill, to master proceedings any more.

It will still be a very hard tie, but I take Liverpool to win — and wipe out the memory of those two previous defeats.



Swindon's hot-shot Andy Rowland (above) and Allan Mayes have hit over 50 goals between them in Division Three.

FOREST	LIVERPOOL
8	Goalpower 9
7	Midfield strength 10
9	Defence 9
9	Experience 9
8	Crowd influence 9
10	Big match temperament 10
10	Managers 10
10	Workrate 10
7	Form 10
8	Skill 10
86	TOTAL 96
100	Maximum 100

Kennedy's Kingdom!

'It's home to Newcastle or Sunderland if ever I left Liverpool' says Ray Kennedy

THE GRAIN of the North-East runs right through Liverpool's England midfield star, Ray Kennedy.

One of English football's most successful competitors in recent seasons, Kennedy has strong links with the North-East. He comes from Seaton Delavel, a little village outside Whitley Bay, and around ten miles from the footballing cauldron of Newcastle.

Kennedy recalls: "It might seem a few years ago but I used to stand on the terraces at St. James' Park and watch Newcastle. But I must declare my North-Eastern allegiance – I was really a Sunderland supporter who grew up on the likes of Johnny Crossan, George Herd, Jim Montgomery and Charlie Hurley.

"I supported them although I do remember people such as Newcastle's Dave Elliott, John McGrath and Albert Bennett. I do not think either side was a great outfit in those times but it

was football and that was all I worried about."

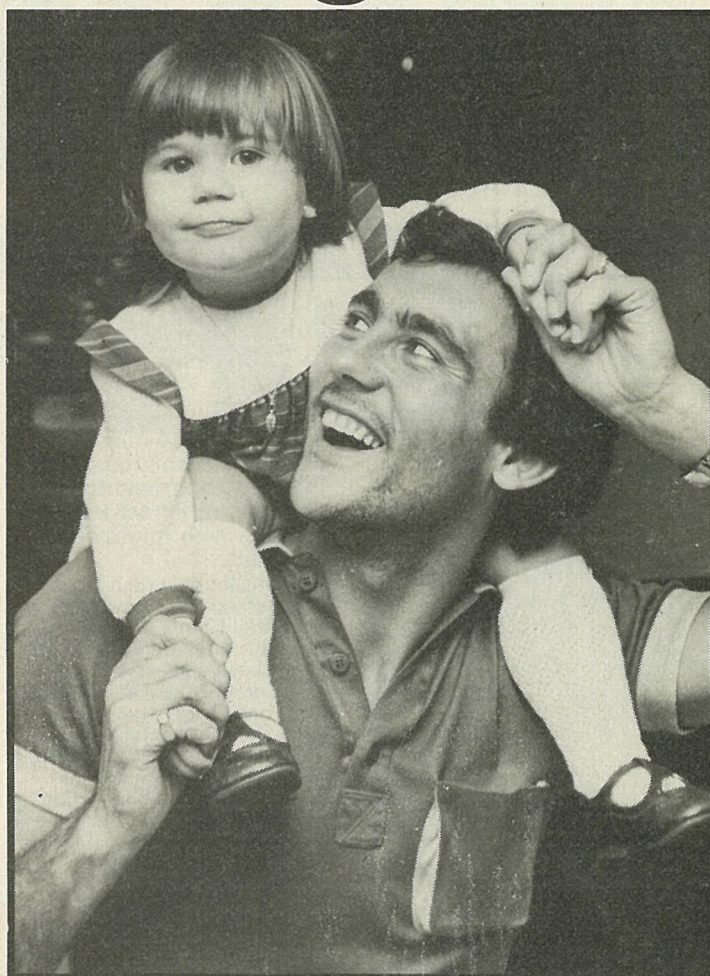
Kennedy had an unsuccessful trial with Port Vale after he had left his North-East home at the age of 15. He soon went back home and was working in a sweet factory doing odd jobs and playing junior football on Sundays when an Arsenal scout spotted him.

The rest is well-known. Success at Arsenal included a place in the Londoners' legendary 'double' side. And then on to Liverpool and years of almost unbroken honours.

But Kennedy says of his days in the North-East: "My family weren't well off but they pushed me in the right direction in life. I have never forgotten that and one day I will go back there to live or play football.

"It would be nice to play for Newcastle or Sunderland if I ever left Liverpool. I still hold the North-East area very close to me. It really is special and I have missed the place. It is a

Ray Kennedy, the action man . . . showing his Geordie determination.



Ray Kennedy, the family man, enjoys playtime with daughter Cara at their Southport home.

special feeling up there and I really enjoy it when I go back to visit my family and old friends. It is nice to see a few Geordies around and you usually meet one or two wherever you go in the world.

"When I was at Arsenal, George Armstrong, who was also from the North-East, used to say that you could always put a side together, and a very good one at that, from all the Geordie lads playing top-class football in England. I sometimes think of that, look around and it is still true. Newcastle is a pretty strong football area and you can always find a really good side of players who hail from there."

How does Kennedy regard the recovery of football strength in both Newcastle and Sunderland clubs this season?

"They love their football so much up there that it's nice to see the sides doing better. The crowds need a bit of success and the area needs a successful First Division side. If they get it, there will be no stopping them. When Sunderland got to the Cup Final people went crazy and the Newcastle fans would too if their side won promotion and started to do well in the First Division.

"Before the season started, I would have said Sunderland were the likelier side to go up

this year. But from what I have seen and heard, I think Newcastle will get back there before Sunderland.

My spies tell me that Newcastle have got the blend right and are getting it together better than Sunderland. It is all about consistency and Newcastle seem to have that rather more than Sunderland at this stage.

"But either way, it will be nice to see a First Division side from Newcastle or Sunderland."

Kennedy has one lovely tale to tell of his association with the area. Ironically, it came during his days at Liverpool, not when he was a football-crazy kid among thousands living in the North East.

"Liverpool played Newcastle one year in the League and I made a weekend of it back at home with my family.

"I will always remember that match – a huge gap appeared on the left-side of the field near the end with the scores level. I ran into it, one of our players saw me and sent over the ball – and I scored the winner.

"I have never taken so much stick in my life and for the rest of that weekend, everybody wanted to know 'what on earth did you do that for?' It was all good-natured but I am not sure that the Newcastle fans saw the funny side of it!"

Stan can light our fuse, again!

THE day after I signed Stan Bowles, I was planning to have a few hours off work in the afternoon and settle down to watch the Varsity Rugby match on television.

But I never got the chance. My home telephone number is so ex, ex-directory that the Prime Minister couldn't get me but they have the number at the ground and all afternoon there was a stream of calls invariably about the transfer that had been completed very late the night before.

I was busy explaining something about Stan Bowles when the door bell went . . . and you'll never guess who was standing on the step.

It was a little man with a beard and, at that time, a limp. Yes, it was Archie Gemmill. "Come in Arch and sit down. You've caused all this," I said, thinking of 'phone call No. 25.

I could hardly believe the coincidence because, with Asa Hartford thrown in temporarily, it's fair to say that Stan Bowles was replacing Archie Gemmill* in our side.

Archie had only dropped by to say he wanted to come to

He's here to fill the Gemmill gap



CLOUGH

our League Cup replay the following night, but the sight of him at the front door brought into my mind all the criticism we've had from various quarters about selling him to Birmingham City.

But, although my relationship with Archie goes back a long, long way, I am more convinced than ever that it was right for him to leave Forest when he did.

It's all right for people to turn round and say that it was a premature move, but do those people know what it was like

for me to make a decision that Archie could leave? It hurt me more than it hurt any of our supporters, I can assure you, but in football there's just no room for sentiment.

If there was, Archie would be with us for ever because you don't forget the times like when I bought him from Preston for Derby County. I stayed at his house overnight and his wife, who was about eight months' pregnant at the time, cooked my breakfast. After he had got out of bed an hour after me, he eventually agreed to sign.

I never forget that type of thing or the good times we had with Archie at Derby and Forest but we were looking to the future and after winning the European Cup wanted to plan our strategy for two or three years.

We visualised Garry Birtles and Tony Woodcock playing up front with Trevor Francis wide on the right and buying Asa Hartford was meant to provide us with the vision to set the others alight.

Unfortunately Asa didn't quite match up to what we wanted and when Everton came in for him we were willing to let

him go even though we knew our plans were being torn up. It got worse when Woodcock wanted to go.

Our whole outlook was changed and we were in a situation where we felt that someone like Stan Bowles could help us. We wanted someone to ignite us whether it be in defence, midfield or up front.

We wanted somebody to explode - in the nicest possible way - on the field and apart from perhaps Larry Lloyd and Kenny Burns we lacked that type of personality.

Stan's ability speaks for itself and I'll tell you this - if he contributes half as much to the success of Nottingham Forest as Archie Gemmill did, then we might just have another Championship side on our hands.

Brian Clough

Welcome to the fold, Stan. Forest manager Brian Clough puts a reassuring arm round the shoulder of new man Bowles as Peter Taylor looks on. The management duo will be looking to Bowles to change Forest's luck following their, for them, poor spell before the holiday period.

If Stan Bowles contributes half as much to the success of Nottingham Forest as Archie Gemmill did, then we might just have another Championship side on our hands.



Liverpool...decade of facts

Home and away...

HOME	P	W	D	L	For	Against
	221	161	47	13	444	149
AWAY	P	W	D	L	For	Against
	221	81	72	68	244	182
TOTAL	P	W	D	L	For	Against
	442	242	119	81	688	331

SALUTE *the* REDS

BOB PAISLEY has no need to look back — the clock on his office wall does it for him.

For the Liverpool boss must be the only manager in the country with a clock that goes backwards and still tells the right time.

It also serves another purpose — reminding Paisley of the danger of looking at the past and forgetting the future.

"It's no good sitting back and reflecting on our fantastic success in the 1970's" Paisley told Match Weekly. "Football doesn't allow you to get away with that. The only thing that counts is tomorrow."

It is the same commonsense attitude to the game that has been the secret of Liverpool's success over the past decade, a decade that saw them pick up just about every trophy going and make the name Liverpool FC revered throughout the world.

Just take a glance at Liverpool's Roll of Honour in the 1970's and you'll see what we mean.

Grateful

European Cup winners in successive years, League Championship winners in four of the ten seasons and runners-up in three of the others. And in case you've forgotten there's the small matter of UEFA Cup wins (twice) and an FA Cup win.

"We don't set out each season with a particular trophy in mind" Paisley said. "We just soldier on, aim to win every game and are grateful for what we receive at the end."

"There's no way football will let you do anything else. If you set out to win a particular trophy you may get a couple of players injured on the way and then you've had it."

"The trophy that's given me the most pleasure must be our first European Cup success in Rome in 1977. The manner in

The 14 home defeats

Feb. 28, 1970 v DERBY (League) 2-0 (O'Hare, Hennessey)
 March 21, 1970 v EVERTON (League) 2-0 (Royle, Whittle)
 April 14, 1971 v LEEDS (Fairs Cup) 1-0 (Brenner)
 Jan 1, 1972 v LEEDS (League) 2-0 (Clarke, Jones)
 Feb. 10, 1973 v ARSENAL (League) 2-0 (Ball (pen), Radford)
 Nov. 6, 1973 v RED STAR Belgrade (Euro. Cup) 2-1 (Lazarevic, Jankovic)
 April 24, 1974 v ARSENAL (League) 1-0 (Kennedy, R.)
 Sept. 24, 1974 v BURNLEY (League) 1-0 (Brennan)
 Nov. 9, 1974 v ARSENAL (League) 3-1 (Ball (2), Brady)
 Nov. 12, 1974 v MIDDLESBROUGH (League Cup) 1-0 (Madden)
 Nov. 29, 1975 v NORWICH (League) 3-1 (MacDougall, Peters, Suggett)
 March 6, 1976 v MIDDLESBROUGH (League) 2-0 (Hickton, Cooper)
 Nov. 5, 1977 v ASTON VILLA (League) 2-1 (Gray(2))
 Jan. 21, 1978 v BIRMINGHAM (League) 3-2 (Emmanuel, Bertschin, Francis (pen))

which we won and the manner in which our supporters behaved brought great credit to England."

It's even more fascinating to study Liverpool's slip-ups during the decade.

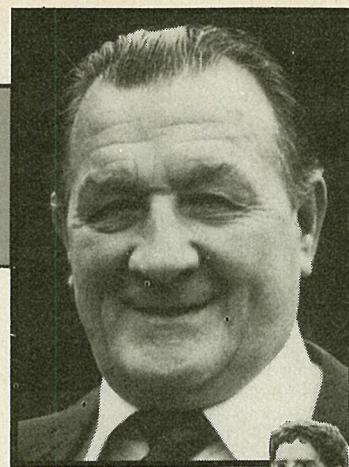
Incredibly they've only succumbed eleven times at home in the ten years. Arsenal have accounted for three of those — and they were also responsible for one of Liverpool's last home defeats in the 60's.

Ray Kennedy got the Gunners' winner in April '74 — and later in the year grabbed Liverpool's consolation in the 3-1 home reverse by the same team following his £200,000 transfer.

Middlesbrough and Leeds are the only other sides to do the 'double' — two wins at Anfield in the decade — and what about Burnley and Birmingham? Second Division sides now but they won't forget the time they went to Liverpool and silenced the Kop.

10-year record

	HOME							AWAY							Lge Pos
Year	P	W	D	L	F	A		W	D	L	F	A	Pts		
69/70	42	10	7	4	34	20		10	4	7	31	22	51	5	
70/71	42	11	10	0	30	10		6	7	8	12	14	51	5	
71/72	42	17	3	1	48	16		7	6	8	16	14	57	3	
72/73	42	17	3	1	45	19		8	7	6	27	23	60	1	
73/74	42	18	2	1	40	16		4	11	6	18	20	57	2	
74/75	42	14	5	2	44	17		6	6	9	16	22	51	2	
75/76	42	14	5	2	41	21		9	9	3	25	10	60	1	
76/77	42	18	3	0	47	11		5	8	8	15	22	57	1	
77/78	42	15	4	2	37	11		9	5	7	28	23	57	2	
78/79	42	19	2	0	51	4		11	6	4	34	12	68	1	
79/80	22	8	3	0	27	4		6	3	2	22	10	34	1	



● Bob Paisley — never looks back.



● Alan Ball — has scored more goals than any other opposing player at Anfield in the 70's.

BALL-WINNERS

ALAN Ball has tasted as much success as any other opposition player in matches against Liverpool at Anfield in the past decade.

As an Arsenal player he was on the winning side three times in the League... and he scored three goals.

"They have been so difficult to beat at home in the last ten years it is pleasing when you get a corner," Ball told Match Weekly.

Ball, now with Southampton, has always loved going back to Liverpool where he spent five "wonderful years" with the "Reds" arch rivals Everton.

"I'm always lifted by the atmosphere at Anfield, but it's the sort of occasion that can raise the game of visiting players... or make them crumble".

ANDY Gray, who has since become Britain's record big

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money signing since he moved from Aston Villa to Wolves earlier this season, remembers well the two goals he scored at Anfield last year, which helped Villa to a memorable 2-1 away victory. "It's always sweet to score at Anfield, but this was even sweeter because they hadn't lost there for over 2 years."

Even having scored those goals, however, Andy can't quite fathom why Liverpool are so powerful at home. "I wish I knew, then we could probably go to Anfield and do well a little more often," he commented. "It really must be psychological. Teams tend to fear them. When Villa went there, we played with a lot of confidence and really got on top of our game."

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Monday, Dec. 24

FA Cup Second Round

NORTHWICH VICTORIA (0) 0

WIGAN (1) 3 (Quinn 27, Gore 49, Methven 61)
Att: 9,016

Match Abandoned after 65 minutes — Fog

Northwich: Ryan 6, Ritchie 7, Nieman 7, O'Neill 6, Forshaw 7, Jones 7, ★MAYMAN 8, Sromek 6, Smith 7, Bailey 6, Collier 7.
Wigan: Brown 7, Fretwell 8, ★HINNIGAN 9, Gore 7, Methven 8, Davids 7, Corrigan 7, Wright 8, Houghton 7, Quinn 8, Urquhart 8.
Referee: T. Morris (Leeds)
Match Rating: ★★

FA Cup Second Round, Second Replay

HALIFAX (0) 2 (Burke 93, Smith 102)
WALSALL (0) 0
Att: 6,530

After Extra Time — Score after 90 minutes 0-0

Halifax: Kilner 7, Dunleavy 7, ★HUTT 8, Evans 6, Harris 6, Hendrie 7, Firth 6, Kennedy 7, Burke 7, Smith 7, Stafford 6.
Walsall: Green 6, Macken 6, Mower 6, Sbragia 6, Williams 7, Paul 6, Penn 7, Waddington 6, McDonough 6 (sub. Rees), ★BUCKLEY 8, Caswell 7.
Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

FA Cup Second Round Replay

PORTSMOUTH (2) 3 (Gregory 3, Laidlaw 27, Bryant 53)

WIMBLEDON (2) 3 (Lewington 36, Denny 44, 75)
Att: 17,265

After Extra Time — Score after 90 minutes 3-3

Portsmouth: Knight 6, Ellis 7, Viney 6, Brisley 6, Aizlewood 6, Davey 7 (sub. Perrin 6), ★GREGORY 8, Laidlaw 7, Hemmerman 7, Bryant 7, Rogers 6.

Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Biley 6, Jones 6, Galliers 7, Bowgett 6, Downes 7, Dziadulawicz 6, Parsons 6, ★DENNY 8, Cork 7 (sub. Cunningham), Lewington 7.
Referee: R. Challis (Tunbridge)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

Wednesday, Dec. 26

Division One

ARSENAL (1) 1 (Sunderland 14)
TOTTENHAM (0) 0
Att: 48,357

Arsenal: Jennings 7, Devine 7, Rice 7, Talbot 6, O'Leary 8, Young 6, Brady 7, Sunderland 6, Stapleton 7, Hollins 6, ★RIX 9.

Tottenham: Aleksic 7, Hughton 7, McAllister 6, Yorath 6, ★SMITH 8, Perryman 7, Ardiles 7, Jones 7, Armstrong 7 (sub. Galvin), Hoddle 7, Pratt 6.

Referee: B. H. Daniels (Brentwood)
Match Rating: ★★

BOLTON (0) 1 (Carter 89)
EVERTON (0) 1 (McBride 79)
Att: 18,220

Bolton: McDonagh 6, Clements 6, Burke 6, Greaves 7, Allardycy 8, ★WALSH 9, Morgan 6, Whatmore 4 (sub. Carter 7), Gowing 6, Cantello 6, McNab 6.

Everton: Hodge 6, Gidman 7, Bailey 7, Wright 6, Lyons 6, O'Keefe 5, ★HARTFORD 9, Stanley 6, Varadi 6, Kidd 6, McBride 6.

Referee: B. A. Martin (Keyworth)
Match Rating: ★★

BRIGHTON (2) 3 (Horton, pen 5, Ward 33, Ryan 59)

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0

Att: 28,358

Brighton: Moseley 6, Gregory 7, Williams 8, Horton 8, Foster 7, Stevens 7, Ryan 7, ★WARD 9, Clarke 7, Lawrenson 8, O'Sullivan 7.
Crystal Palace: Burrige 6, Hinshelwood 6, Sansom 5 (sub. Fenwick 6), Nicholas 6, Cannon 7, Gilbert 6, Murphy 7, Francis 7, Flanagan 5, Swindlehurst 6, ★HILAIRE 8.

Referee: J. Martin (Alton, Hants)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

DERBY (1) 1 (Clark 20)

COVENTRY (0) 2 (McDonald 58, English 80)
Att: 15,531

Derby: McKellar 5, ★LANGAN 8, Buckley 6, Daly 5, Webb 6, Osgood 7, Clark 7, Powell, B 6, Whymark 6 (sub. Emery 5), Davies 6, Emson 7.
Coventry: Sealey 6, Roberts 5, McDonald 7, Gooding 6, Holton 7, Gillespie 6, Hutchison 6, Wallace 5, Ferguson 6, Blair 6, ★ENGLISH 8.
Referee: N. Glover (Chorley)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Gooding (Coventry)

LIVERPOOL (1) 2 (Hansen 14, Johnson 85)

MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 0

Att: 51,073

Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 7, Kennedy, A 6, Thompson 8, Hansen 8, ★DALGLISH 9, Case 8, Johnson 7, McDermott 8, Souness 8, Kennedy, R 8.
Man Utd: Bailey 6, Nicholl 7, Houston 7, McIlroy 7, ★MCQUEEN 9, Buchan 8, Coppell 7, Wilkins 7, Jordan 6, Macari 7, Thomas 6 (sub. Grimes).
Referee: K. Walmsley (Blackpool)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

MANCHESTER CITY (1) 1 (Power 16)

STOKE (1) 1 (Dodd 4)

Att: 36,286

Man City: Corrigan 6, Ranson 7, Donachie 7, Bennett 6, Caton 7, Booth 7, Henry 6, Daley 6, Robinson 6, ★POWER 8, Shinton 6.
Stoke: Fox 7, Evans 6, Johnson 6, Doyle 7, Smith 6, Dodd 8, Heath 6, ★IRVINE 9, O'Callaghan 7, Crooks 7, Randall 6.

Referee: A. Challinor (Maltby)
Match Rating: ★★

MIDDLESBROUGH (2) 3 (Jankovic 25, 46, Armstrong 43)

LEEDS (1) 1 (Entwistle 26)

Att: 26,655

Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Craggs 6, Johnson 7, Hedley 8, Ashcroft 8, McAndrew 8, Cochrane 7, Proctor 8, Hodgson 8, Jankovic 8, ★ARMSTRONG 9.

Leeds: ★LUKIC 9, Cherry 7, Stevenson 5, Hamson 6, Hart 6, Greenhoff 6 (sub. Entwistle 6), Gray 6, Hird 6, Connor 6, Curtis 7, Harris 6.

Referee: A. Saunders (Newcastle upon Tyne)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

NORWICH (2) 3 (Mendham 23, Taylor 43, Robson 90)

IPSWICH (1) 3 (Gates 16, Muhren 53, Wark 69)

Att: 24,325

Norwich: Keelan 6, Bond 7, Downs 6, Ryan 7, Brown 7 (sub. Fashanu), Jones 7, Mendham 8, Taylor 8, ★ROBSON 9, Paddon 7, Peters 7.
Ipswich: Cooper 7, Burley 7, Butcher

7, Thijssen 6, Hunter 6, Osman 6, Wark 7, Muhren 8, ★MILLS 9, Gates 7, Brazil 7.

Referee: D. Hutchinson (Bourn, Cambs.)

Match Rating: ★★★★★

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 2

(Robertson, pen 50, Bowles 57)

ASTON VILLA (0) 1 (Shaw 64)

Att: 30,979

Nottm Forest: Shilton 6, Anderson 7, Gray 7, McGovern 7, Lloyd 6, Burns 6, Bowyer 7, Bowles 7, Birtles 8, ★FRANCIS 9, Robertson 7.

Villa: Spink 7, Swain 7, Gibson 5, Ormsby 6, McNaught 6, Mortimer 5, Bremner 5, ★LITTLE 8, Donovan 7, Cowans 6, Shaw 7.

Referee: D. Richardson (Blackburn)
Match Rating: ★★

WBA (0) 3 (Owen 73, Barnes 78, 89)
BRISTOL CITY (0) 0

Att: 19,564

WBA: Godden 6, Batson 7, Pendrey 7, Trewick 6, Wile 7, Robertson 5, Robson 5, Deehan 6, Regis 7, ★OWEN 8, Barnes 7.

Bristol City: Shaw 7, Sweeney 7, Whitehead 6, Gow 6, Kenyon 6, Merrick 6, Fitzpatrick 5, Tainton 6, Royle 5, Mabbutt 6, ★MANN 8 (sub. Meyer).

Referee: R. Toseland (Mkt Harborough)

Match Rating: ★★

WOLVES (0) 0

SOUTHAMPTON (0) 0

Att: 22,808

Wolves: Bradshaw 6, Palmer 7, Brazier 6, Daniel 5, McAlle 6, Berry 6, Hibbitt 7, Carr 6, Gray 6, ★RICHARDS 8, Eves 7.
Southampton: Wells 6, Golac 7, Peach 7, Williams 6, Watson 7, ★NICHOLL 8, Ball 7, Boyer 6, Channon 7, Holmes 6, Hebbert 6.
Referee: M. Peck (Doncaster)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Two

BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 4 (Waddle, og 51, Dennehy 55, 65, 89)

SWANSEA (1) 1 (Waddle 34)

Att: 9,230

Bristol Rovers: Thomas 6, Williams 7, Bater 6, Mabbutt 6, Taylor 6, Aitken 6, Barrowclough 7, Emmanuel 5, Penny 6, ★DENNEHY 8, Pulis 6.
Swansea: Letheren 6, Evans 6, ★RUSHBURY 8, Charles 6, Phillips 4, Giles 5, Craig 6, Attley 6, James 5, Waddle 6, Mahoney 5.
Referee: M. Warner (Wednesbury)
Match Rating: ★★

BURNLEY (1) 3 (Hamilton 35, Smith 47, Dobson, pen 74)

NEWCASTLE (1) 2 (Barton 40, Shoulder 89)

Att: 16,433

Burnley: Stevenson 7, Arins 6, Brennan 7, Burke 7, Overson 8, Rodaway 7, James 7 (sub. Cavanagh), ★DOBSON 9, Hamilton 8, Young 7, Smith 6.
Newcastle: Hardwick 6, Brownlie 6, Davies 6, Cassidy 6 (sub. Carney), Barton 6, Boam 6, ★SHOULDER 8, Cartwright 6, Connolly 6, Rafferty 6, Hibbitt 6.

Referee: F. Phipps (Clywd)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

CAMBRIDGE (1) 3 (Reilly 55, 60, Biley 31)

OLDHAM (1) 3 (Steel 6, Valentine 52, Stainrod 56)

Att: 5,298

Cambridge: Webster 7, Stringer 6, Smith 6, Calderwood 7, Fallon 7, O'Neill 6, Biley 7, Spriggs 7, ★REILLY 8, Gibbins 6, Murray 6.
Oldham: McDonnell 6, Wood 6, Holt 6, Kowenicki 7, Clements 6, ★HURST 8, Valentine 7, Hallom 6, Steel 7, Stainrod 7, Atkinson 6.
Referee: R. C. Challis (Kent)
Match Rating: ★★

CARDIFF (0) 1 (Pontin 57)

FULHAM (0) 0

Att: 8,354

Cardiff: ★GROGER 8, Dwyer 6,

Sullivan 6, Campbell 5, Pontin 6, Thomas 5, Lewis 5, Bishop 5, Stevens 6, Ronson 7, Hughes 4 (sub. Moore 6).

Fulham: Peyton 6, Peters 5, Strong 5, Money 5, Bampton 6, Gale 5, Greenaway 5, Beck 5, Maybank 5, ★LOCK 8, Davis 5.

Referee: C. L. Newsome (Broseley, Salop)

Match Rating: ★★

CHARLTON (0) 0

NOTTS COUNTY (0) 0

Att: 6,894

Charlton: Wood 5, Hazell 8, Gritt 6 (sub. Wilson 5), Tydem 6, Berry 7, ★MADDEN 9, Powell 8, Jacobsen 5, Hales 6, Warman 6, Robinson 7.

Notts County: ★AVRAMOVIC 9, Benjamin 8, O'Brien 7, Hunt 4, Stubbs 5, Blockley 4, McCulloch 5 (sub. Christie 5), Masson 8, Hooks 5, Beavon 7, Mair 7.

Referee: C. Maskell (Cambridge)
Match Rating: ★★

CHELSEA (0) 1 (Fillery 65)

LEICESTER (0) 0

Att: 25,320

Chelsea: Borota 7, Locke 8, Sparrow 8, ★BUMSTEAD 9, Droy 8, Chivers 8, Britton 8, Fillery 7, Langley 7, Walker 7, Harris 8.
Leicester: Wallington 8, Williams 8, Rofe 7, ★GOODWIN 9, May 7, O'Neill 8, Byrne 6 (sub. Wilson 6), Henderson 6, Young 8, Kelly 7, Smith 6.

Referee: A. Grey (Gt Yarmouth)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

PRESTON (1) 3 (Elliott 29, Bruce 80, Bell 85)

SHREWSBURY (0) 0

Att: 8,875

Preston: Tunks 8, Taylor 7, McAteer 7, Burns 7, Baxter 7, O'Riordan 7, Bell 8, Coleman 7, ★ELLIOTT 9, Potts 7, Bruce 8.
Shrewsbury: Mulhearn 6, King 6, Larkin 7, Biggins 7, Griffin 6, Keay 7, ★TONG 8, Atkin 7, Chapman 6 (sub. Cross), Dungworth 7, McGuire 7.
Referee: R. Bridges (Deeside)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

QPR v ORIENT — Match Postponed

SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (Arnott 85)

WREXHAM (0) 1 (Vinter 71)

Att: 29,567

Sunderland: Turner 6, Whitworth 6, Bolton 7, ★CLARKE 8, Elliott 7, Buckley 6, Arnott 7, Cummins 6, Brown 6, Robson 6, Marangonni 5 (sub. Rowell 6).
Wrexham: Davies 6, Darracott 6 (sub. Roberts 6), Kenworthy 6, Davis 6, Jones 7, Fox 7, ★VINTER 8, Sutton 6, Edwards 7, McNeil 6, Hill 7.
Referee: M. Lowe (Sheffield)
Match Rating: ★★

WATFORD (0) 0

LUTON (0) 1 (Stephens 90)

Att: 20,227

Watford: Steele 8, Henderson 7, Harrison 7, Patching 7, Sims 7, Bolton 6, Downes 8, Blissett 6, Mercer 7, Train 8, ★ROSTRON 9.
Luton: Findlay 7, ★STEPHENS 8, Donaghy 6, Grealish 6, Saxby 7, Price 7, Hill 7, West 7, Stein 7, Hutton 7, Moss 6.
Referee: M. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★

WEST HAM v BIRMINGHAM — Match Postponed

Division Three

BLACKBURN (0) 0

MANSFIELD (0) 0

Att: 8,531

Blackburn: Arnold, J 8, Branagan 7, Parkes 6, Metcalfe 7, ★KEELEY 9, Fazackerley 7, Brotherton 7, Crawford 7, Garner 6, McKenzie 7, Kendall 7 (sub. Round 7).
Mansfield: ★ARNOLD, R 9, Thompson 7, Mann 8, Curtis 7, Bird 8, McClelland 8, Thomson 7, Taylor 7, Austin 7, Lathan 6, Allen 6.
Referee: K. A. Redfern (Whitley Bay)
Match Rating: ★★

BLACKPOOL (1) 2 (Weston 17, Kellow 47)
HULL (1) 2 (Edwards 38, 50)
 Att: 4,535
Blackpool: McAlister 7, ★**GARDNER** 8, Pashley 6, McEwan 7, Ashurst 6, Harrison 6, Hockaday 6, Doyle 7, Spence 6 (sub. Thompson 6), Kellow 7, Weston 7.
Hull: Blackburn 7, Nisbet 6, Haigh 6, Croft 6, Skipper 7, de Vries 7, Roberts 6, Moss 6, ★**EDWARDS** 8, Norrie 6, Phillips 7.
Referee: D. Owen (Bebington)
Match Rating: ★★★

BRENTFORD (1) 2 (McNichol 29, Fear 56)
CHESTER (0) 2 (Sutcliffe 55, Jones 84)
 Att: 10,140
Brentford: Bond 7, Shrubbs 6, Tucker 5, Kruse 5, Salman 6, ★**McNICHOL** 8, Carlton 6, Graham 6, Fear 7, Smith 5, Phillips, S 6.
Chester: Millington 6, Raynor 6, Walker 6, Storton 5, Cottam 6, Oakes 6, Sutcliffe 6, ★**JONES** 7, Henderson 6, Rush 5, Phillips, R 5.
Referee: L. Burden (Dorset)
Match Rating: ★★★

CHESTERFIELD (2) 3 (Walker 34, Birch 36, Crawford 72)
CARLISLE (1) 2 (MacDonald 24, Bonnyman 83)
 Att: 5,002
Chesterfield: Kendall 6, Tarrt 7, O'Neill 6, Ridley 6, Green 6, Kowalski 6, Birch 7, Moss 6, Walker 7, Salmons 7, ★**CRAWFORD** 8.
Carlisle: Swinburne 5, Hoolickin 6, Collins 6, MacDonald 6, Ludlam 6, Parker 6, McVitie 7, ★**BONNYMAN** 8, Bannion 7, Hamilton 6, Beardsley 7.
Referee: T. L. Morris (Leeds)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

COLCHESTER (2) 2 (Packer 6, Allinson 16)
GILLINGHAM (0) 2 (Overton 51, Westwood 75)
 Att: 5,145
Colchester: Walker 7, Cook 6, Packer 6, Leslie 7, Wignall 5, Dowman 6, Dyer 6, Wright 6, ★**FOLEY** 8, Lee 6, Allinson 7.
Gillingham: Hillyard 6, Bruce 6, Barker 5, Overton 6, Wetherley 6, Crabbe 7, Nicholl 6, Hughes 7, Price 6, ★**WESTWOOD** 8, Funnell 6.
Referee: B. Hill (Wellingborough)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

GRIMSBY (1) 3 (Cumming 39, Kilmorr 51, 66)
BARNSELEY (0) 0
 Att: 14,150
Grimsbey: Batch 7, Stone 7, Moore, K 7, Waters 5, Wigginton 7, Crombie 7, Broily 6, Ford 7 (sub. Liddell), ★**KILMORE** 8, Mitchell 6, Cumming 7.
Barnsley: Springett 6, Flavell 6, Collins 6, ★**GLAVIN** 8, Hunter 5, McCarthy 7, Banks 7, Clarke 5, Aylott 6 (sub. Pugh 6), Graham 6, Lester 6.
Referee: D. E. Clarke (Accrington)
Match Rating: ★★★★★
Sending Off: Hunter (Barnsley)

PLYMOUTH (2) 2 (Randell 22, Kearney, og 39)
READING (0) 0
 Att: 6,484
Plymouth: Crudgington 7, James 7, Harrison 6, Randell 7, Foster 6, Philipson-Masters 6, Hodges 8, Cooper 6, Sims 7, ★**MASON** 9, Graves 6.
Reading: ★**DEATH** 8, Joslyn 6, White 5, Bowman 6, Kearney 5, Moreline 7, Earles 6, Kearns 5, Heale 6, Sanchez 7, Lewis 7.
Referee: W. Bombroff (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★★

ROTHERHAM (0) 0
BURY (0) 2 (Mullen 61, Whitehead 68)
 Att: 4,892
Rotherham: Mountford 6, Forrest 6, Breckin 7, Rhodes 6, Stancliffe 7, Green 6, Gooding 5 (sub. Tiler), McEwan 5, Finney 6, ★**FERN** 8, Nix 6.

Bury: Forrest 7, Constantine 6, Kennedy 6, McIlwraith 7, Whitehead 7, Woodington 6, Mullen 7.
★**WILSON** 8, Halford 6, Hilton 7, Madden 6.
Referee: D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ★★

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (1) 4 (Mellor 38, Curran 63, King 64, Smith, pen 87)
SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 0
 Att: 49,309
Sheff Wed: Bolder 7, Blackhall 8, Williamson 8, Smith 7, Pickering 7, Hornsby 7, ★**KING** 9, Johnson 8, Mellor 8, McCulloch 8, Curran 8.
Sheff Utd: Richardson 7, Speight 7 (sub. Cutbush 7), Tibbott 6, Kenworthy 7, McPhail 6.
★**MATTHEWS** 8, De Goey 6, Bourne 7, Butlin 6, Garner 7, Sabella 7.
Referee: P. Partridge (Bishop Auckland)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

SOUTHEND (0) 1 (Hadley 54)
OXFORD (1) 1 (Foley 21)
 Att: 4,213
Southend: Cawston 7, Dudley 6 (sub. Polycarpou 7), Yates 7, Stead 7, Cusack 7, ★**HADLEY** 8, Morris 6, Pountney 6, Parker 7, Otulakowski 7, Gray 6.
Oxford: Brown 7, Doyle 7, McIntosh 6, Briggs 5, ★**COOKE** 8, Jeffery 6, Taylor 7, Duncan 6, Foley 7, Berry 6, Hodgson 5.
Referee: T. G. Bune (Billingshurst)
Match Rating: ★★

SWINDON (2) 2 (Williams 13, Tucker 17)
EXETER (1) 3 (Bowker 2, 85, Pullar 56)
 Att: 11,606
Swindon: Allen 8, Lewis 6, Ford 6, McHale 6, Tucker 7, ★**STROUD** 9, Miller 7, Kamara 8, Rowland 7, Mayes 8, Williams 6.
Exeter: Maine 8, Mitchell 7, Roberts, L 7, Hore 7, Roberts, P 8, Hatch 7, Neville 8, Rogers 7, ★**BOWKER** 9, Delves 7, Pullar 6.
Referee: K. W. Baker (Rugby)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

WIMBLEDON v MILLWALL — Match Postponed

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (0) 0
BOURNEMOUTH (0) 1 (Butler 63)
 Att: 5,217
Aldershot: Johnson 6, Scott 6 (sub. Longhorn 6), Wooler 6, Dixon 6, Youlden 6, ★**JOPLING** 7, Crosby 5, Brodie 5, French 5, Sanford 6, McGregor 5.
Bournemouth: Allen 6, Cunningham 6, Ferns 7, Impey 6, Townsend 6, Chambers 6, ★**HOLDER** 8, MacDougall 7, Butler 7, Evanson 7, Miller 6.
Referee: L. Shapter (Newton Abbott)
Match Rating: ★★

CREWE (0) 0
TRANMERE (0) 0
 Att: 2,597
Crewe: Grobelaar 7, Wilkinson 6, Bowers 6, ★**McMAHON** 8, Scott 7, Proffitt 7, Davies 5, Guy 5, Coyne 4, Chesters 4 (sub. Ashworth 6), Beavon 5.
Tranmere: ★**JOHNSON** 8, Mathias 6, Flood 6, Bramhall 7, Edwards 6, Evans 7, O'Neill 6, Craven 6, Lumby 5 (sub. Mungall), Beamish 5, Kelly 6.
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Mungall (Crewe)

DARLINGTON v BRADFORD — Match Postponed

HALIFAX (1) 2 (Kennedy 40, Burke 76)
HUDDERSFIELD (0) 1 (Dunleavy, og 71)
 Att: 10,061
Halifax: Kilner 7, Dunleavy 6, Hutt 7, Evans 7, Harris 7, Hendrie 7, Firth 7, ★**KENNEDY** 8, Burke 7, Smith 6, Stafford 6.
Huddersfield: Rankin 7, Brown 6,

Robinson 6, Stanton 7, Sutton 6, Harvey 7, Laverick 6, ★**HART** 8, Fletcher 7, Robins 6 (sub. Kinton 7), Cowling 7.
Referee: M. J. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★

HARTLEPOOL (1) 3 (Ayre 32, Houchen 53, Hampton 79)
YORK (1) 1 (Loggie 45)
 Att: 2,926
Hartlepool: Burleigh 7, Sweeney 6, Carr 5 (sub. Houchen 7), Lawrence 7, Brookes 7, ★**AYRE** 8, Linacre 6, Loadwick 7, Newton 7, Harding 6, Hampton 7.
York: Neenan 6, Kay 5, Harrison 6, Ford 5, James 7, ★**CLEMENTS** 8, Randall 7, Lorimer 7, Loggie 7, McDonald 5 (sub. Pugh 6), Wellings 6.
Referee: M. A. Porter (Bolton)
Match Rating: ★★

HEREFORD (0) 0
PORTSMOUTH (0) 0
 Att: 4,514
Hereford: ★**HUGHES** 8, Price 7, Burrows 7, Marshall 6, Layton 7, Feely 7, Stephens 7, Spiring 6, McGrellis 7, Hunt 7, White 6.
Portsmouth: Mellor 7, McLaughlin 7, Styles 7, ★**BARNARD** 8, Aizlewood 7, Ellis 6, Gregory 7, Laidlaw 7, Perrin 6, Bryant 7, Purdie 6.
Referee: J. Lovatt (Crewe)
Match Rating: ★★

PETERBOROUGH (0) 1 (Quow 47)
WIGAN (1) 2 (Quinn 2, Gore, pen 66)
 Att: 3,312
Peterborough: Waugh 5, Carmichael 6, Phillips 5, Sharkey 5, Slough 6, Foster 6, Gynn 6 (sub. Robson 5), Kellock 7, Cliss 6, Syrett 5, ★**QUOW** 8.
Wigan: Brown 6, Fretwell 6, Hinnigan 7, Gore 8, ★**METHVEN** 9, Davids 6, Corrigan 6, Wright 7, Moore 6, Quinn 7, Urquhart 6.
Referee: K. Salmon (Barnet)
Match Rating: ★★

NORTHAMPTON (0) 2 (Bowen 59, 78)
STOCKPORT (0) 0
 Att: 3,163
Northampton: Poole 7, Farrington 6, Sandercock 6, Byatt 7, Gage 7, Williams, K 8, Sandy 7, Denyer 7, ★**BOWEN** 9, McCaffrey 6, Farmer 6.
Stockport: ★**LAWSON** 8, Rutter 6, Sherlock 6, Henson 6, Bradd 7, Czuczman 6, Williams, O 7, Sword 6, Prudham 6, Chapman 7, Coyle 6.
Referee: A. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

PORT VALE (1) 1 (Wright 45)
SCUNTHORPE (0) 0
 Att: 3,432
Port Vale: Dance 7, Keenan 7, Griffiths 7, Bentley 6, Delgado 7, Sproson 6, Beech 7, Farrell 6, ★**WRIGHT** 8, Bromage 6, Chamberlain, N 6.
Scunthorpe: Gordon 7, Davy 6, Peacock 6, Deere 7, Hall 6, Oates 6, Green 6, ★**CAMMACK** 8, Pilling 6, Partridge 6, Stewart 6 (sub. Cowling).
Referee: A. Dobson (Blackburn)
Match Rating: ★★

ROCHDALE v LINCOLN — Match Postponed

TORQUAY (1) 2 (Coffill 25, Sermanni 88)
NEWPORT (0) 0
 Att: 5,326
Torquay: ★**TURNER** 9, Twitichin 6, Ritchie 6, Wilson 7, Bourne 7, Sermanni 8, Coffill 6 (sub. Larmour), Lawrence 5, Cooper 7, Smith 7, Murphy 6.
Newport: Dowler 5, ★**WALDEN** 9, Relish 8, Bruton 6, Oakes 7, Warriner 6, Vaughan 6, Lowndes 6, Tynan 6, Aldridge 6 (sub. Gwyther 7), Moore 6.
Referee: D. Vickers (Ilford)
Match Rating: ★★

WALSALL (1) 3 (McDonough 25, Penn 87, Waddington 89)
DONCASTER (1) 1 (Nimmo 8)
 Att: 5,499

Walsall: Green 7, ★**MACKEN** 9, Mower 5, Sbragia 8, Williams 7, Paul 7, Penn 6, Waddington 7, McDonough 6, Buckley 8, Caswell 8.
Doncaster: Peacock 5, Russell 7, Snodin 7, Lister 7, ★**BRADLEY** 8, Dowd 6 (sub. Daniels 7), Pugh 6, Nimmo 7, Riley 7, Little 6, Lally 7.
Referee: A. Banks (Manchester)
Match Rating: ★★

Scottish FA Cup

First Round Replay

FALKIRK (0) 0
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (1) 4 (Coughlin 17, Robertson 63, 70, 72)
 Att: 2,000

First Round, Second Replay

BRECHIN (0) 1 (Campbell, I 78)
EAST STIRLING (0) 0
 Att: 440

Friday, Dec. 28

Division Four

TRANMERE (2) 4 (Beamish 13, 26, 63, Peplow 78)
BRADFORD CITY (0) 0
 Att: 2,547
Tranmere: Johnson 6, Mathias 7, Flood 7, Bramhall 7, Edwards 6, Evans 7, O'Neil 7, Craven 6, Kelly 8, ★**BEAMISH** 9, Peplow 8.
Bradford: Smith 6, Podd 6, Watson 5, Bates 6, Baines 5, Cooper 6, ★**DOLAN** 7, Martinez 6, Staniforth 5, McNiven 5, Hutchins 6.
Referee: R. A. Banks (Manchester)
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Saturday, Dec. 29

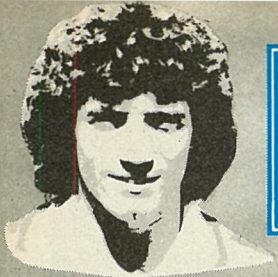
Division One

BRIGHTON (3) 4 (Clarke 44 secs, 35, Ward 27, Ryan 75)
MANCHESTER CITY (1) 1 (Lee 37)
 Att: 28,093
Brighton: Moseley 7, Gregory 7, Williams 7, Horton 8 (sub. Stille), Foster 8, Stevens 7, Ryan 8, ★**WARD** 9, Clarke 8, Lawrenson 8, O'Sullivan 7.
Man City: ★**CORRIGAN** 8, Ranson 6, Donachie 6, Bennett 7, Caton 5, Booth 6, Henry 6, Daley 5, Power 6, Reid 6, Lee 7.
Referee: T. Spencer (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★★★★

BRISTOL CITY (0) 1 (Gow, pen 75)
ASTON VILLA (0) 3 (Shaw, G 53, 56, 88)
 Att: 18,506
Bristol City: Shaw, J 7, ★**SWEENEY** 8, Whitehead 6, Gow 6, Rodgers 6, Merrick 6, Pritchard 7, Tainton 6, Mabbutt 7, Mann 6, Garland 6.
Aston Villa: ★**RIMMER** 9, Swain 7, Gibson 7, Ormsby 7, McNaught 7, Mortimer 7, Bremner 7, Little 8, Donovan 7, Cowans 7, Shaw, G 8.
Referee: D. Hedges (Oxford)
Match Rating: ★★

COVENTRY (0) 0
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 3 (Robertson, pen 50, 66, Bowles 68)
 Att: 24,737
Coventry: Sealey 6, Roberts 5, ★**McDONALD** 7, Coop 6, Holton 6, Gillespie 6, Hutchison 6, English 6, Ferguson 5, Blair 5, Hunt 5 (sub. Whitton 5).
Nottm Forest: Shilton 6, Anderson 7, Gray 6, McGovern 7, ★**LLOYD** 8, Burns 7, Francis 7, Bowles 6, Birtles

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KEEGAN

HITTING a good volley is, for me, one of the best feelings in football. It is also one of the most difficult skills to master.

Volleying is all about balance and timing. Get it right and it looks and feels fantastic. Get it wrong and the ball can finish up in the next street!

I would describe the volley – whether it be a shot or a pass – as a 'risk' skill. The ball almost always comes to you at pace and it invariably has some spin on it.

Most professional footballers would admit that if they get a volley 75 per cent accurate they would feel they had done OK. In fact some will only volley

LEARN TO VOLLEY

● Drawings reproduced by courtesy of Dentyne Chewing Gum.

Kevin demonstrates the volley during a recent game for Hamburg. The number seven shirt has become a symbol of worship for the Hamburg fans.

when it is the only possibility left open to them.

Good volleyers have great balance. They can drop either shoulder and get their foot over the ball without losing that all important control. Jimmy Greenhoff at Manchester United is one of the best in the game and has actually said that he prefers to take the ball on the volley. Another player who excels at this is Spurs' Glenn Hoddle – remember his scoring volleys against Manchester United in the League Cup and against Forest in the League.

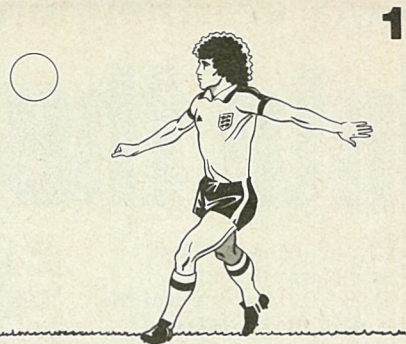
It is a very individual skill and players execute the volley in a different but equally effective way. After a volley I always end up on the ground. This is because I have thrown all my weight on to the other foot when leaning over to take the ball.

Because of today's close marking the *volleyed shot* has become a particularly valuable part of the game. Often there is no room or time to bring the ball down and it must be hit quickly first time. The dipping volley is the most dangerous – any goal-keeper will tell you they are ones he fears most. A good 'keeper will come off his

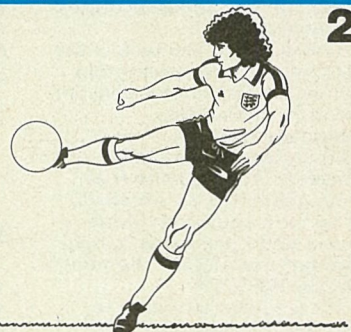
line when danger threatens, but when the ball dips viciously over his head there is nothing he can do about it.

The *volleyed pass* can be just as deadly in creating chances and turning defence into attack in a split second. The important thing here is that it quickens everything up. By not pulling the ball down you are saving valuable time – time that helps the team-mate receiving the ball.

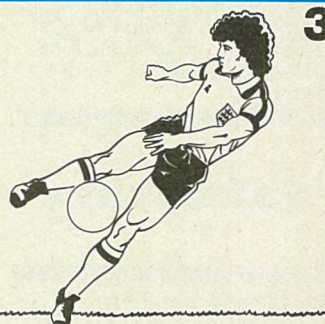
The Hamburg team work on volleying in training, hitting balls knocked up to us by the coaching staff. I would advise you to do the same with a friend. It is one of the most effective – and enjoyable – parts of the game.



Keep your eye on the ball with the body balanced and held firm.



Lean across to bring the kicking foot over the ball. As with golf, it's no good slashing at the ball and lifting the head.



Due to the way I throw my weight on to my standing foot I usually finish up on the ground after a volley.



Hit the ball with the top of the instep (on the laces), still keeping your eye on the ball.

Frank Worthington steps . . .

Into the heat

FRANK Worthington has come in from the cold . . . and stepped straight into the heat. And the 31-year-old striker is out to prove that he is still 'worthy' of the challenge.

Left behind is the obscurity of reserve-team football at struggling First Division Bolton Wanderers.

Staring him in the face is the pulsating push for promotion with go-ahead Second Division side Birmingham City.

Naturally enough, Worthington relishes the prospect: "I'm enjoying it at Birmingham. It's an excellent set-up with some very good players and I just want to help them get promotion," he told **MATCH WEEKLY**.

"It's a similar situation to when I left Leicester to join Bolton. Leicester were beginning to struggle a little bit and Bolton were riding high. I hope it works out as well this time.

"I think Bolton have found it a little hard to make the transition from Second to First Division, but I hope they don't go down this season," said Worthington.

Refreshing

It's refreshing to hear him wish his old club well for they hardly parted company under the best of circumstances.

Last season, of course, things couldn't have gone better for the Halifax-born striker. He finished as the First Division's top scorer with 26 goals – 24 in the League.

This term, Worthy's fortunes couldn't have been more different.

The problems started when he returned to Bolton from his first season in the States with Philadelphia Furries.

"The manager wasn't too happy about me going out there, but eventually he agreed to let me go.

"I had an enjoyable time in the States and I came back

really ready to play over here, but that's when things started to go a little bit sour for me.

"With one thing on top of the other 'Greavesy' had me up for sale. I had been on the list for a week or so when there was a call saying Birmingham manager Jim Smith was interested. He came up the same night and the move was more or less agreed that evening.

Lost edge

"I thought Bolton were asking a little bit too much for me because they got me for £90,000 and I had given them two years good service, but the fee finished up at £140,000.

"I was playing in the reserve team in the end at Bolton and I lost my edge which I have to get back, but I don't see any reason why I can't score a few goals for Birmingham. I don't feel I played particularly well in my first couple of games for Birmingham.

"I think it's going to be tight in the Second Division this season as it is showing at the moment. Obviously Chelsea and Queen's Park Rangers have good established sides. Leicester are riding high and although I don't think they'll be too far away I can't see them going up. Newcastle are another team who will be up there, but we've got some good players at Birmingham.

"I've always been a big admirer of Archie Gemmill. Then we have Willie Johnston, Colin Todd, Keith Bertschin, Steve Lynex and Kevin Dillon.

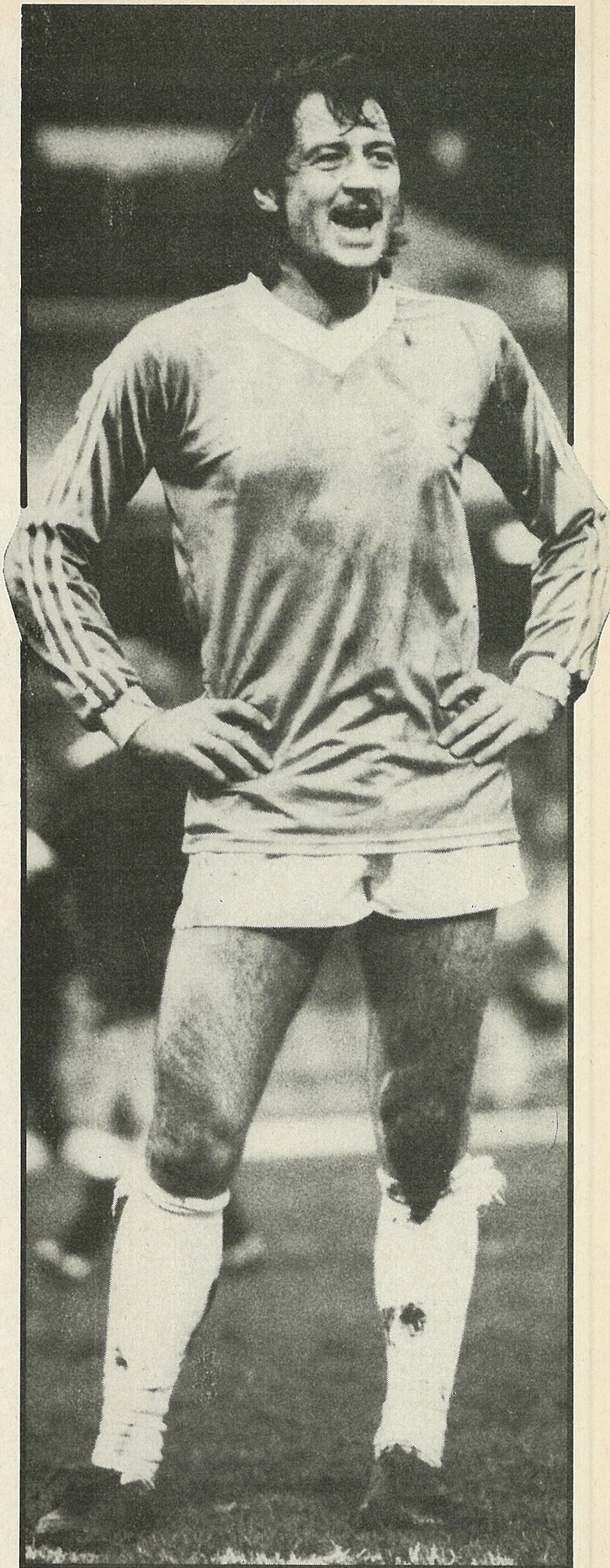
"I must admit I felt a little bit forgotten at Bolton this season. I came back from the States and got shoved out in the cold. When the move came up I took it and hopefully it will work out," said Worthington.

It's a sign of the man's compassion of the game and belief in himself that he still feels he was cheated at international level – even though it was four years ago when he won his last cap.

"I think I deserved more caps, but Revie was in charge at that time and I don't think he fancied me too much. Come to that I didn't fancy him much either. But I still think back to what might have been," said Worthington.

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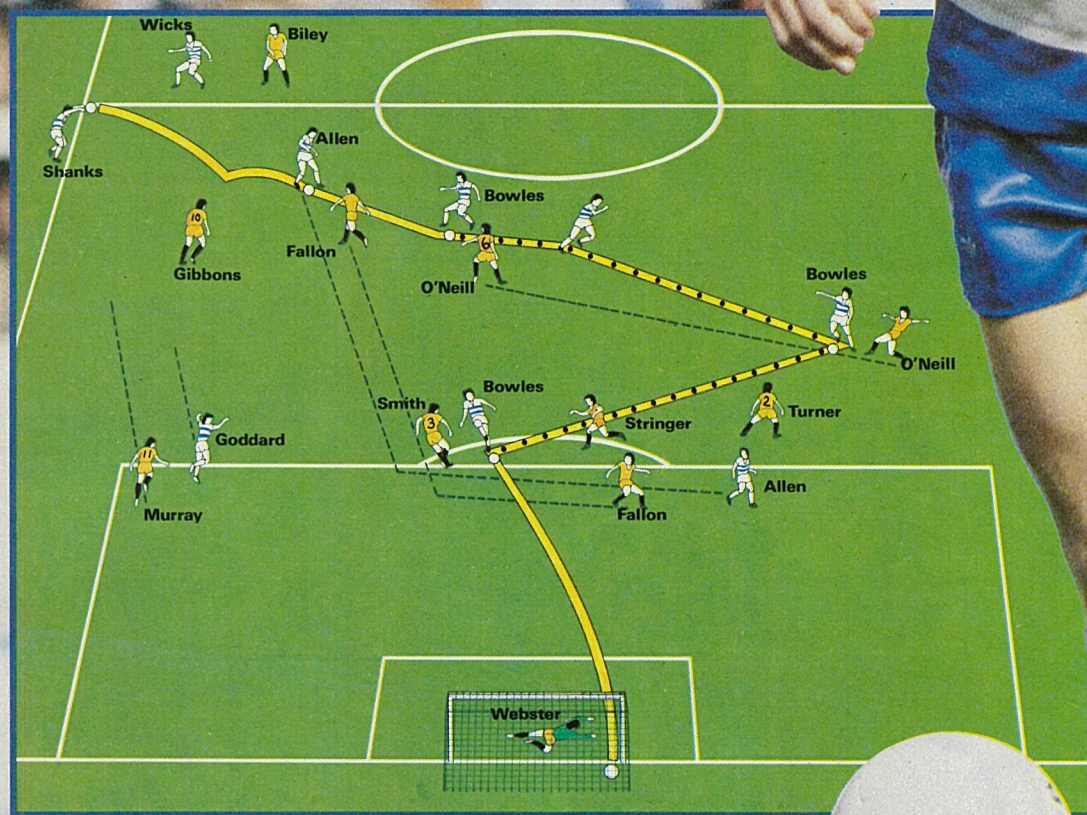
Arsenal's Frank Stapleton in full colour



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GOLDEN GOALS



Stan Bowles (for Q.P.R.) v Cambridge Utd.
League Div. 2, Abbey Stadium, Cambridge, Sept 1, 1979.

STAN BOWLES last goal in the colours of Queens Park Rangers was a brilliant solo effort ... and Match Weekly was there to record the event.

It was a goal that had Rangers fans in raptures ... and one that even the opposing supporters had to applaud.

The build-up began with a throw-in just inside the Cambridge half which was taken by Rangers defender Don Shanks.

Hoop-shirted hot shot Clive Allen picked up the throw and pushed the ball on to his striking

partner Bowles - master of the unpredictable.

Bowles ran diagonally across the park searching for space and shaking off Cambridge defender Tommy O'Neill in the process with that famous dribbling action.

As the QPR danger man made for the edge of the box two defenders closed in, but Bowles squeezed the ball between them to lash a dipping right-footed shot into the top corner of the net from fully 20 yards.

Bowles may have moved on to Nottingham Forest, but he certainly left his London fans

with something to remember.

He told Match Weekly: "I think it was probably one of the best I have ever scored.

"I was going to play a one-two with Clive Allen at one point, but the defenders behind him had seen that move so I checked, beat a man and just hit it for the top corner."

Forest fans will now be hoping that Bowles can repeat his magic in the red and white strip of the European Champions.

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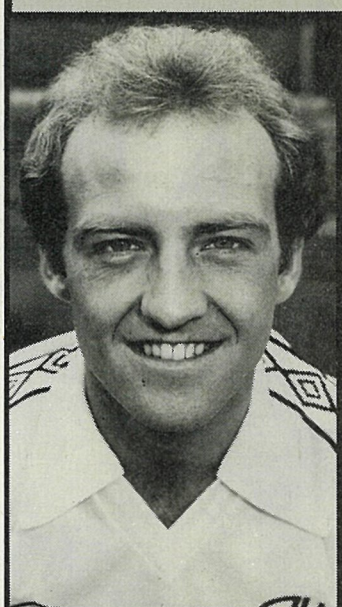
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Bolton striker Neil Whatmore has scored 72 goals in 186 games, giving him a scoring rate of a goal every 2.58 games.

GOALSCORERS have always commanded the lion's share of the glory in football. And rightly so, for their task is the most demanding of all, especially in modern football.

Increased defensive organisation has made goalscoring more difficult in recent years, and a proven goal-getter is a necessity in all successful sides. It is not surprising, therefore, that strikers have always commanded the largest transfer fees.

While new goalpoachers have often burst on the scene with a flurry of goals, most managers would acknowledge the value of the consistent scorer who can be relied on to bag his twenty goals or so, season after season.

This **MATCH WEEKLY** survey is designed to discover exactly who is the Football League's most consistent striker. Only marksmen who have scored at least fifty League goals (up to the end of last season) were considered eligible. By dividing the goals scored into the matches played, we were able to calculate how often a striker was likely to score.

A scoring rate of a goal every other game now seems beyond most players, but quite a number of players are scoring at the respectable rate of one goal every three games.

Our research revealed that Malcolm Macdonald, the unfortunate Arsenal star recently forced into retirement by injury, was the League's top marksman, averaging a goal every 1.93 games. In a career which saw him score goals for Fulham, Luton Town, and Newcastle United, as well as

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Fulham's Peter Kitchen is placed 22nd in The Top 100, with 122 goals from 302 games.

Arsenal, 'Supermac' totalled 191 goals in 369 games.

He played 14 times for England without really producing the same impact, but his five-goal haul against Cyprus at Wembley in 1975 gives him a share of the individual scoring record for a single match for England.

Close on the heels of 'Supermac' are two veteran strikers, Fred Binney (Plymouth Argyle) and Dixie McNeil (Wrexham). Both have proved prolific scorers in the lower divisions, averaging 1.94 and 1.97 respectively. It seems a



Billy Jennings, the Orient player formerly with West Ham, shares 31st place in The Top 100 with Paul Mariner of Ipswich and Neil Whatmore of Bolton. All three averaged a goal every 2.58 games. Jennings' goals totalled 66.

shame that neither man has been given the opportunity to ply his trade in the First Division. However, it is interesting to note that Brighton's Peter Ward, currently averaging 1.94, has found scoring more difficult in the top flight this season.

Irony

Brighton's struggle this season is ironic when one considers another of football's top marksmen, Martin Chivers (average 2.07) is also on their



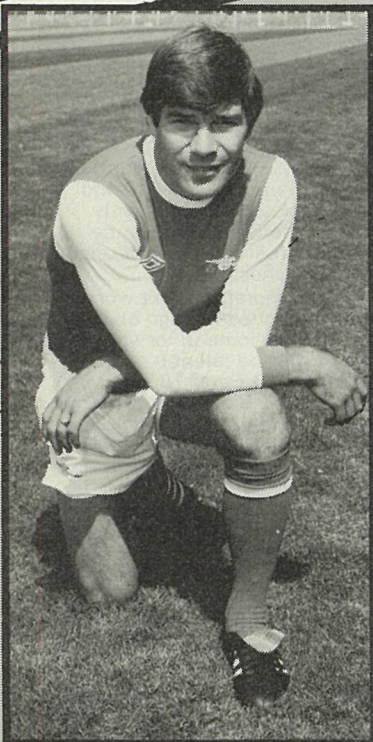
Watford's John Ward is placed 21st with 91 goals from 223 games.

Johnson (3.33). A number of top scorers, such as Woodcock and Birtles had not reached the 50-goal target by the end of last season, so were not included in the analysis. However, two who fall just short of qualifying, but are worthy of note, are Liverpool goal machine, Kenny Dalglish, who had scored 41 goals at an average of 2.05, and Norwich youngster, Kevin Reeves, who had scored 48 at an average of 3.23

It is true that goals are always easier to come by in a successful side. Consequently we would not wish to present this analysis as conclusive proof of one player's value compared to another, but feel sure that it will nevertheless spark off considerable discussion among our readers.

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books. Unfortunately for his old Spurs' team-mate, Alan Mullery, the Brighton manager, 'Big Chiv' is now in the twilight of a distinguished career that saw him score regularly for Southampton, Tottenham, Servette, and Norwich.

Impressive

Andy Gray's impressive average of 2.07 would seem to confirm Wolves' boss John Barnwell's assessment of his £1½m value, and his developing partnership with John Richards (2.13) augers well for the future of the Midlands club. England's much maligned Bob Latchford can point to an average of 2.15, as opposed to the average of rivals Trevor Francis (2.40), Paul Mariner (2.58) and David



Joint-second in the ratings comes Brighton striker Peter Ward who, together with Plymouth's Fred Binney, has averaged a goal every 1.94 games.

LEFT: Malcolm Macdonald heads our Top 100 goalscoring chart.

BELOW: The first column shows the total number of games played. The second shows the total number of goals scored. By dividing goals into games we have shown how often each man scores. For example, Malcolm Macdonald scored one goal every 1.93 games.

THE TOP 100

	Games	Goals	per goal
1 Malcolm Macdonald (Arsenal)	369	191	1.93
2 Fred Binney (Plymouth)	330	170	1.94
3 Peter Ward (Brighton)	120	62	1.94
4 Dixie McNeil (Wrexham)	392	199	1.97
5 Ted MacDougall (Bournemouth)	499	248	2.01
6 John Duncan (Derby)	117	58	2.02
7 Derek Hales (Charlton)	196	96	2.04
8 Martin Chivers (Brighton)	455	220	2.07
9 Andy Gray (Wolves)	112	54	2.07
10 Keith Edwards (Hull City)	110	53	2.08
11 Alan Buckley (Walsall)	281	134	2.10
12 John Richards (Wolves)	264	124	2.13
13 Alex Bruce (Preston)	240	112	2.14
14 Bob Latchford (Everton)	349	162	2.15
15 John Toshack (Swansea)	365	167	2.19
16 Alan Biley (Cambridge Utd.)	138	63	2.19
17 Allan Clarke (Barnsley)	497	220	2.26
18 John Duggan (Shrewsbury)	127	54	2.35
19 Trevor Francis (Nottm. Forest)	297	124	2.40
20 Colin Garwood (Portsmouth)	285	117	2.44
21 John Ward (Watford)	223	91	2.45
22 Peter Kitchen (Fulham)	302	122	2.48
23 Bryan Robson (Sunderland)	522	209	2.50
24 Mick Butler (Bournemouth)	219	87	2.52
David Kemp (Plymouth)	156	62	2.52
26 Bobby Gould (Hereford Utd.)	405	160	2.53
Ross Jenkins (Watford)	235	93	2.53
28 Mick Vinter (Wrexham)	135	53	2.55

29 Tony Brown (West Brom)	549	214	2.57
Mick Channon (Southampton)	457	178	2.57
31 Paul Mariner (Ipswich)	232	90	2.58
Neil Whatmore (Bolton)	186	72	2.58
Billy Jennings (Orient)	170	66	2.58
34 Tony Kellow (Blackpool)	132	51	2.59
35 Mick Walsh (D.P.R.)	200	76	2.63
Duncan McKenzie (Blackburn)	251	95	2.64
Danny Westwood (Gillingham)	153	58	2.64
38 Stuart Pearson (West Ham Utd.)	284	99	2.67
Ray Hankin (Leeds Utd.)	176	66	2.67
40 Andy McCulloch (Sheffield Wed.)	244	91	2.68
41 Alan Gowling (Bolton)	325	121	2.69
42 Robin Friday (Cardiff)	141	52	2.71
43 Brendan O'Callaghan (Stoke City)	237	87	2.72
44 George Best (Hibernian)	406	147	2.76
45 Andy Rowlands (Swindon)	197	71	2.77
46 Paul Fletcher (Burnley)	211	76	2.78
47 Joe Royle (Bristol City)	393	140	2.81
48 Bob Hutton (Luton)	441	156	2.83
Peter Lorimer (York City)	428	151	2.83
50 Mike Flanagan (Crystal Palace)	241	85	2.84
51 Bill Garner (Cambridge Utd.)	214	75	2.85
52 Howard Goddard (Newport County)	155	53	2.92
53 Kevin Randall (York City)	508	173	2.94
Steve Phillips (Brentford)	182	62	2.94
55 Peter Eastoe (Everton)	171	58	2.95
56 Bruce Bannister (Hull City)	494	167	2.96
Brian Kidd (Everton)	379	128	2.96
58 Ernie Moss (Chesterfield)	383	129	2.97
59 Les Bradd (Stockport County)	326	143	2.98
60 Damian Richardson (Gillingham)	268	89	3.01
Joe Cooke (Oxford United)	202	67	3.01
62 Frank Worthington (Birmingham)	451	149	3.03
Chris Jones (Rochdale)	264	87	3.03
David Swindlehurst (Crystal Palace)	200	66	3.03

65 Peter Withe (Newcastle Utd.)	164	54	3.04
66 Peter Osgood (Chelsea)	401	131	3.06
67 Bob Lee (Sunderland)	163	52	3.13
68 Gordon Hill (D.P.R.)	192	61	3.15
69 Alistair Brown (West Brom)	251	79	3.18
Terry Shanahan (Aldershot)	194	61	3.18
71 Billy Ashcroft (Middlesbrough)	265	83	3.19
72 Vic Halom (Oldham)	390	121	3.22
73 Stuart Lee (Manchester City)	168	52	3.23
74 Alan Warboys (Doncaster)	373	115	3.24
Ray Graydon (Oxford Utd.)	356	110	3.24
76 Billy Rafferty (Newcastle Utd.)	260	80	3.25
Charlie George (Southampton)	211	65	3.25
78 Mick Elwiss (Crystal Palace)	316	97	3.26
79 Chris Guthrie (Fulham)	246	75	3.28
80 Les Chappell (Swansea City)	428	130	3.29
81 Ken Beamish (Tranmere)	466	140	3.33
Micky Burns (Middlesbrough)	353	106	3.33
David Johnson (Liverpool)	233	70	3.33
84 David Moss (Luton)	246	73	3.37
85 Alan Curtis (Leeds)	244	72	3.39
Keith Bowker (Exeter)	217	64	3.39
87 Phil Boyer (Southampton)	446	131	3.40
88 Derek Spence (Blackpool)	211	62	3.40
89 Barry Butlin (Sheffield Utd.)	235	69	3.41
90 Stan Bowles (Nottm. Forest)	343	100	3.43
Chick Bates (Swindon)	206	60	3.43
92 Peter Graham (Cambridge Utd.)	310	90	3.45
93 Jackie Lewis (Doncaster)	326	94	3.47
94 Dave Syrett (Peterborough Utd.)	186	53	3.51
95 Ray Moore (Cardiff)	264	75	3.52
96 Viv Busby (Stoke City)	233	66	3.53
97 Jimmy Greenhoff (Manchester Utd.)	476	134	3.55
98 Trevor Phillips (Hull City)	289	81	3.57
99 Peter Noble (Burnley)	464	129	3.60
100 John Cozens (Cambridge Utd.)	207	57	3.63

The only players considered for THE TOP 100 were those retained by their clubs at the beginning of the 1979-80 season.

Carry on studying

It's never too late to turn pro

CARRY on studying! That's my message to readers who are still at school and hoping to embark on a professional football career.

I wasn't 'discovered' until I was in my late teens and my case proves that if you've got something to offer the scouts won't care how old you are.

And those that have been signed on as an apprentice at 16 shouldn't think that they have been earmarked for a first-team place. There's still a long way to go.

I don't think I missed out on anything by not serving my apprenticeship. In fact if anything I believe it helped me — I

wouldn't have enjoyed the morning and afternoon training and all the clearing-up jobs around the ground!

Like all footballers I was the end result of someone's keen eye for footballing talent. I owe my soccer livelihood to a man called Eddie Edwards who was a scout for Tranmere Rovers. He is just one of the unsung thousands who spend their spare time watching football looking for the rough diamond. The person who makes watching hundreds of games in every kind of weather all worthwhile.

My own particular situation was similar to that of hundreds of other youngsters. As a 15-year-old I never played for Liverpool Boys and I was never on the books of the two Merseyside clubs.

I had the chance of a trial with Liverpool Boys but the school said I could not go. Joe Royle went to the same school about six years before me and he got picked for the Boys team and they considered he spent too much time with them and not enough on his studies.

So I thought my chance of

becoming a footballer was gone. But I still loved the game and I played as often as I could. On Saturday I turned out for my school in the morning and in the afternoon for a Boys Club team in the Merseyside Youth Association. One of my team-mates in the Boys Club side was Colin Irwin who is now beginning to make an impact on the Liverpool scene.

It was while playing for the Boys Club that Mr Edwards first saw me and after the match asked me if I would like a trial for Tranmere. As I have said I thought my chance as a footballer had gone and at the time I was studying for my A levels so I refused his offer.

But he showed the quality of all good scouts and was very persistent. I eventually had a trial and was signed.

My case shows that it is never too late to be spotted by a professional club. Better examples are provided by Steve Heighway who did not sign for Liverpool until he was 20 and Tony Book who was 28 with Bath in the Southern League when he first turned professional with Manchester City.

So the moral is: don't worry if you've reached the age of 16 and no one has come in for you. If you've got the talent it will still be there at 17 and 18 when perhaps you'll develop in the way to suit professional clubs. Scouts are like the Mounties — they always get their man in the end!

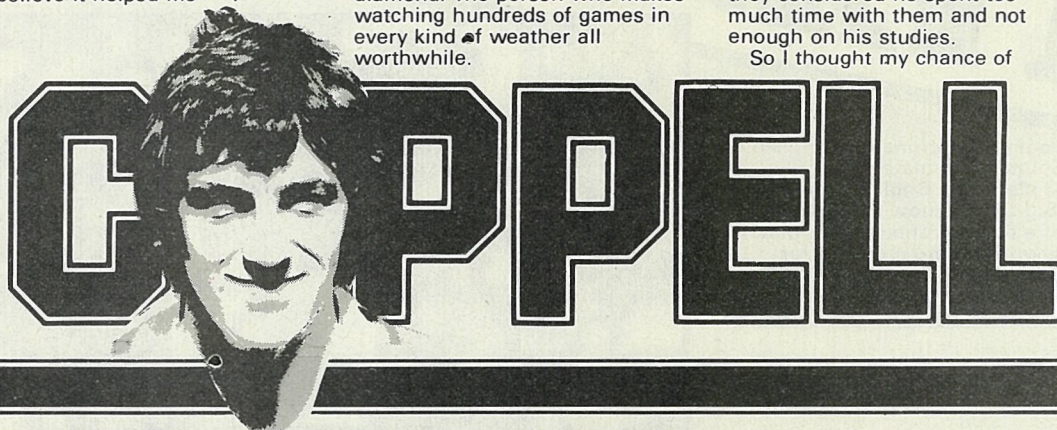
Recently I spoke to former Burnley manager Joe Brown who now heads Manchester United's scouting network in conjunction with Norman Scholes, a retired headmaster. The scouting net at Old Trafford is quite vast with regional heads for Scotland, North and South Wales and Ireland.

So wherever you live and whatever team you play for it is quite likely that somebody with United has seen you play and of course there are similar set-ups in most First and Second Division clubs.

This essential groundwork is undoubtedly a costly business but the price of footballing talent on the transfer market is so high it makes the initial investment well worth it.

The scouts are always the men you hear very little about but without their work football would very soon be in a sorry state. One of the most successful scouts at United is Bob Bishop who heads the scouting net in Northern Ireland.

His most famous find, of course, was George Best but he has also provided United with a steady stream of players over the years and Sammy McIlroy and Jimmy Nicholl of the present side.



LEFT: Colin Irwin of Liverpool who is now beginning to make an impact on the scene at Anfield. He was one of my team-mates in a boys club side on Merseyside. I used to turn out for my school in the morning and the club in the afternoon, but at that stage — although I still loved the game — I thought my chance of becoming a professional footballer had gone.



ABOVE: Manchester City manager Tony Book. His case is a perfect example to show that it is never too late to be spotted by a professional club — he was 28 when he went pro. I wasn't 'discovered' until I was in my late teens and Steve Heighway was 20 when he signed for Liverpool.

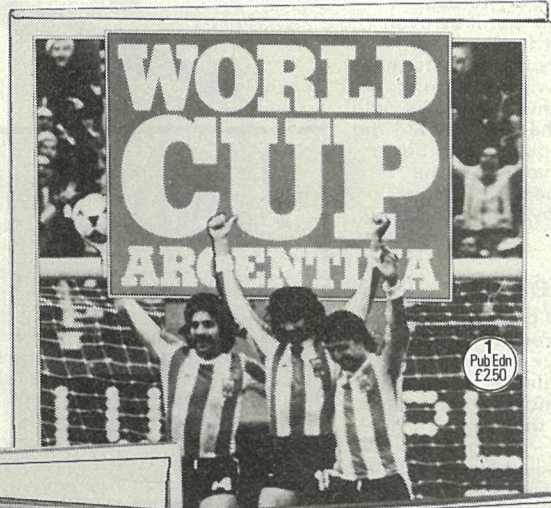
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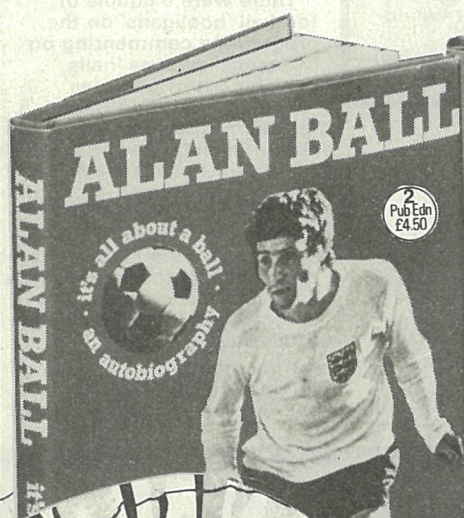
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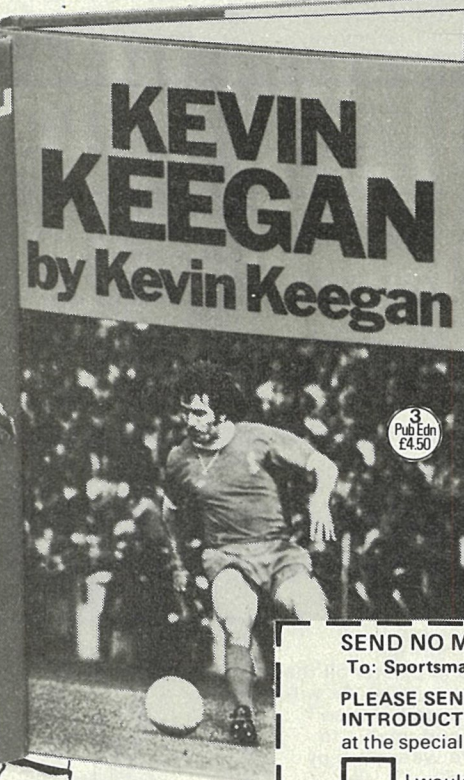
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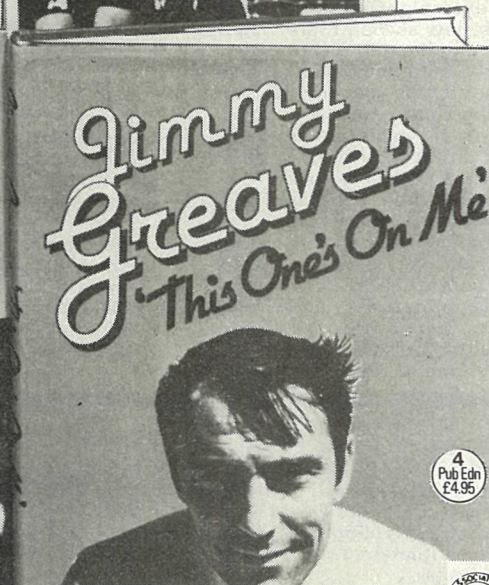
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No walkover

AS A Norwegian boy who is very interested in English football, I think it is fun that England and Norway now are in the same World Cup qualifying group. But I have a warning for England.

I have read and heard that many people think England are already in Spain. Everybody seems to think that Norway and Switzerland are easy matches for England. I would not be so sure about that!

No team is easy to beat nowadays and it will be even more difficult for England because everyone expects them to win. This will put a lot of pressure on the players. I would remind you that Norway are the first team to qualify for the football tournament in the Olympic Games in Moscow.

Knut Sundby, 2010 Strommen, Norway.

Italian lesson

I HAVE heard people complaining recently that many English League teams are too defensively-minded. It should, however, be noted that we are by no means the worst offenders.

Take the Italian First Division for example. On the first day of their new season there was not much indication given as to who would be challenging for honours this season with seven of the eight games ending in draws of which five were goalless. In fact the sixteen teams only managed six goals between them compared to the 28 scored in the first ten matches of our First Division.

After five weeks, exactly 70 per cent of all Italian First Division matches had ended either in a draw or a 1-0 win.

Another interesting fact is that none of the top Italian

TERRACE TALK

A fair testimonial

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AS MANY testimonials bring so few fans through the turnstiles, I think a better idea to bring in money would be to choose an attractive match in the League calendar and to have that as the testimonial match. Only 8,000 turned up for Joe Corrigan's testimonial and 2,000 of those were members of the 'Junior Blues' who got in free anyway. However, if Joe's testimonial

had been in the League against local rivals Manchester United 50,000 would turn up and even if Joe had only received half of the receipts, he would still have received four times as much money than he obtained in his real testimonial. This happens in cricket and I think it would work in football.

Philip Carr, Chatham, Kent.

teams managed to score four goals in a League match until the ninth week of their season. Arsenal and Norwich City both achieved this feat in England on the first Saturday of our new season and both were playing away?

So the next time our favourite team only scores once, let's spare a thought for those poor Italian spectators for whom this is a regular occurrence.

Simon Stead, Fleet, Aldershot, Hants.

Valuable tip

I WOULD like to give a tip to older readers if they don't like getting pushed around in football grounds. They can get the same value by going to watch schoolboy football or Sunday League football. It is very good and free. There is sure to be a team near you so ask your local schoolboys to tell you where it is.

Robert Cooke, Heckmond Wike, W. Yorks.

Harmful comment

BEING a supporter of Carlisle United it angered and disappointed me to read in an earlier issue David Kemp (now Plymouth Argyle) say that his stay at Carlisle was the worst in his footballing career mainly because he didn't like the place and couldn't get on with the people.

Surely he should have been mature enough to keep his opinions to himself. Now he has only done harm to Carlisle United football club in that his comments tend to mislead other football stars who may have chosen to join Carlisle United.

It is of interest that the players of the class of Ivor Broadis and Stan Bowles chose to make extended stays in the city!

Neill Brown, Aylesbury, Bucks.

Well said, Brian

I WOULD like to bring to the attention of fellow readers some comments by Brian Clough on Tyne-Tees television's *Friday Live*.

There were a couple of football 'hooligans' on the programme commenting on 'weapons' such as 'nails sticking out of potatoes'.

They asked Brian Clough a question to which he made no reply. The interviewer asked the reason for the silence to which he replied: "Do you expect me to talk to the likes of them."

I think this comment is justified as a stand needs to be taken against these 'hooligans' by people they respect and other managers should follow Brian Clough's step.

● If the above reader will forward his name and full address, we shall send him £2.

FORMER Welsh team boss Mike Smith has played a big part in the 18-month battle by Norwich defender David Jones against a crippling knee injury which threatened to cut short his career.

Jones damaged his right knee playing for Wales against England at Cardiff soon after establishing himself firmly in Smith's international plans.

Two operations and many visits to Harley Street later, Jones is now approaching full fitness for the first time since 1978.

"I will never forget the date of the injury, May 13. It could not have been more unlucky for me," said Jones.

After giving his knee plenty of rest in the close-season of 1978, Jones thought he was fit enough to make a comeback. But in an Anglo-Scottish Cup match against Notts. County, the knee collapsed again.

"The doctors told me I should have an operation called 'MacKintosh's repair' which is very complicated and requires a strip of muscle in the knee being wrapped round and then sewn on to the thigh. They told me there was only a 50-50 chance of it being successful."

Jones, Hampshire-born and bred but whose father was

Welsh, then endured ten of the worst weeks of his life.

"My leg was in plaster all that time from toe to groin. My wife was upset because I was so down-hearted and unable to move and there were piles of snow all around us. It was miserable."

Just when Jones was at his lowest ebb, Mike Smith 'phoned with the promise: 'Get yourself fit and you are back in the international reckoning.'

"It was just the incentive I needed. He has 'phoned several times since to find out how I am getting on."

Though he has quit the Wales job now after taking over at Hull, Smith is a man of his word and is sure to pass on Jones' name to his successor.

While the rest of John Bond's men went away for pre-season training, Jones trained with Scottish midfield player Billy Steele who tragically lost his battle against another knee injury.

"The two of us kept each other going because neither of

Jones fights back



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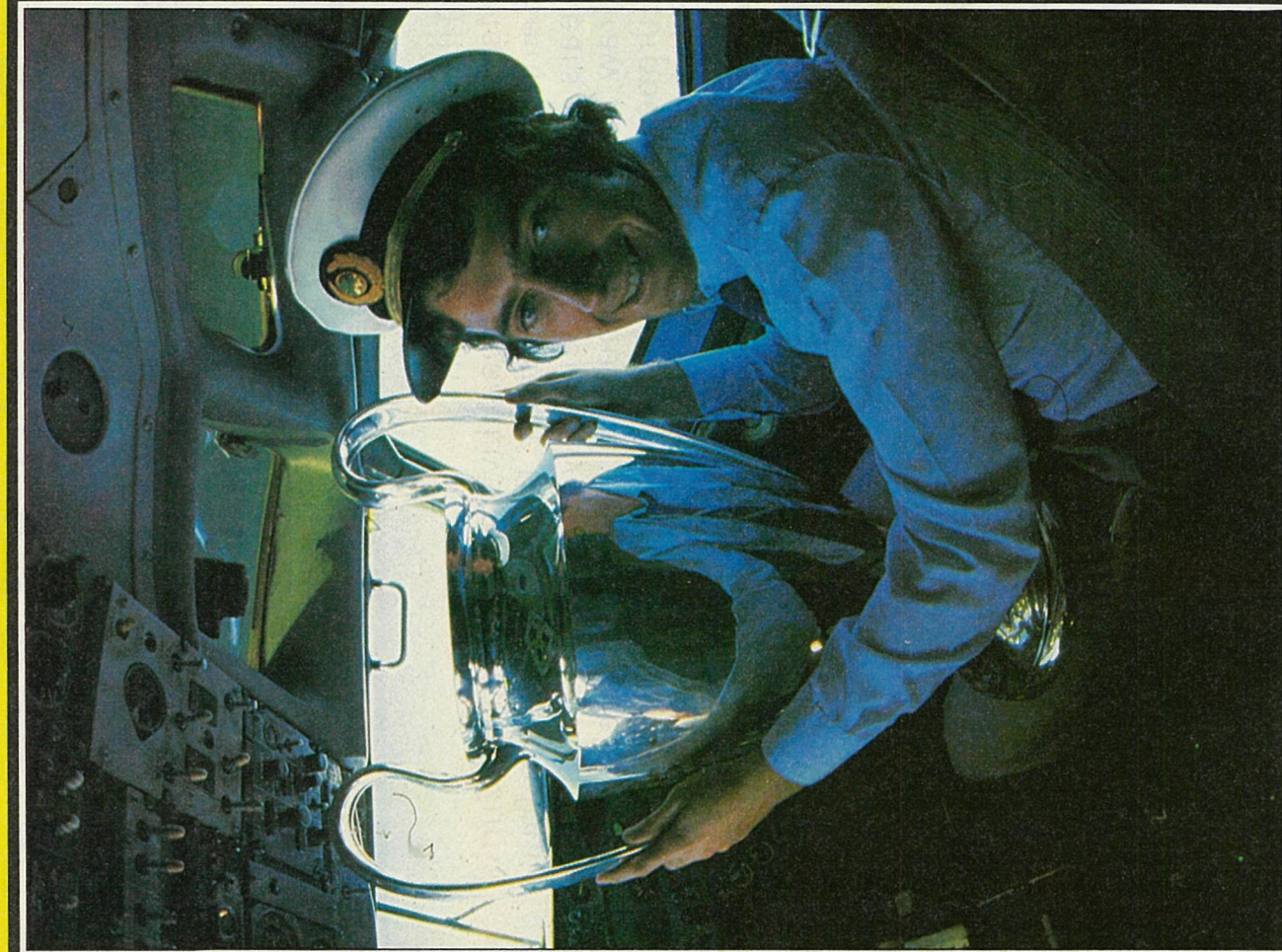
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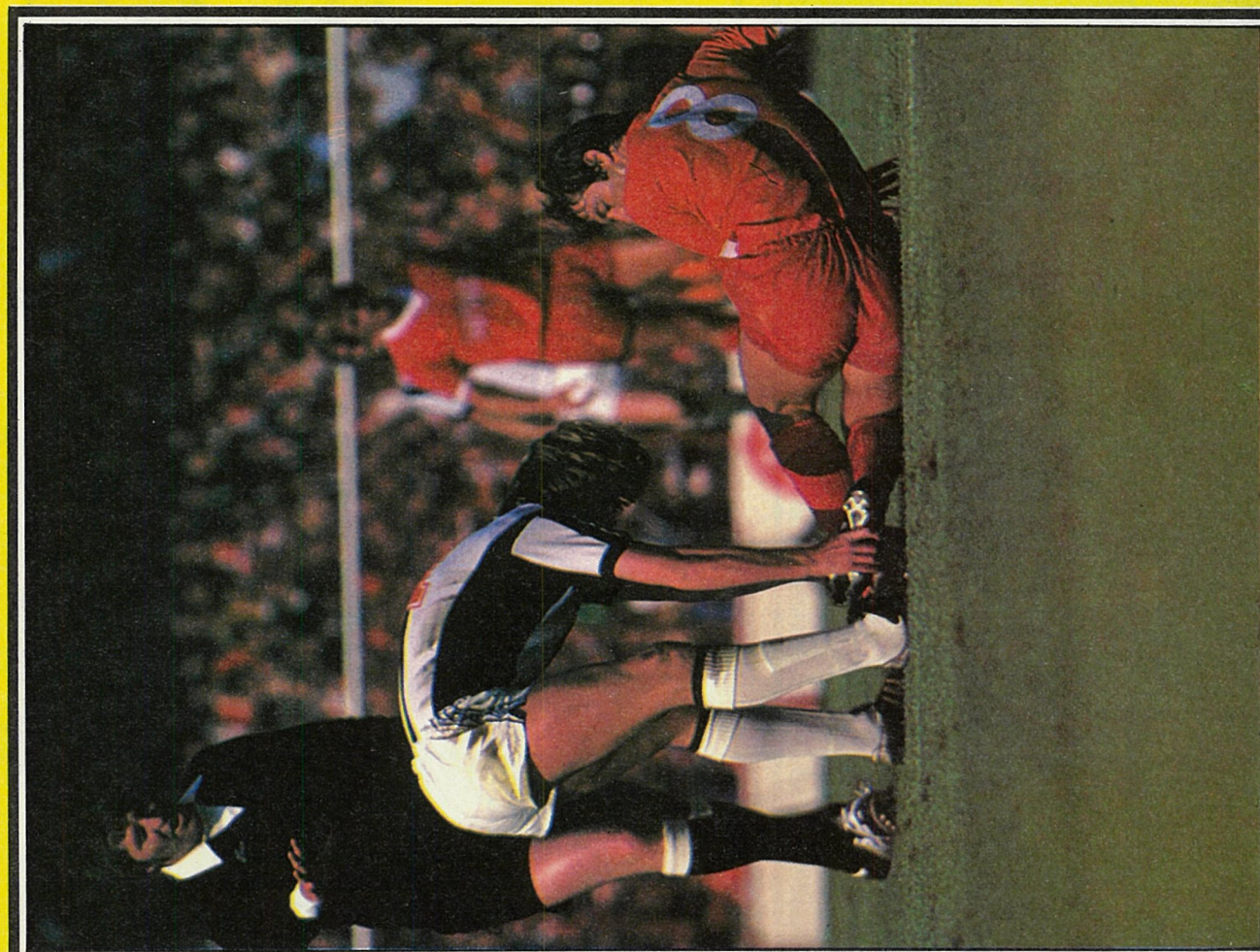
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British football history was made when Wolves bought Andy Gray from Aston Villa for a record fee of £1.5 million, having sold Steve Daly to Manchester City for £1.4 million just two days earlier . . . England's passage to the European Championship Finals was assured with a Kevin Keegan goal against Denmark.

SEPTEMBER 1980

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"Yes well thanks Peter. We'll let the trainer decide whether it's got to come off or not."

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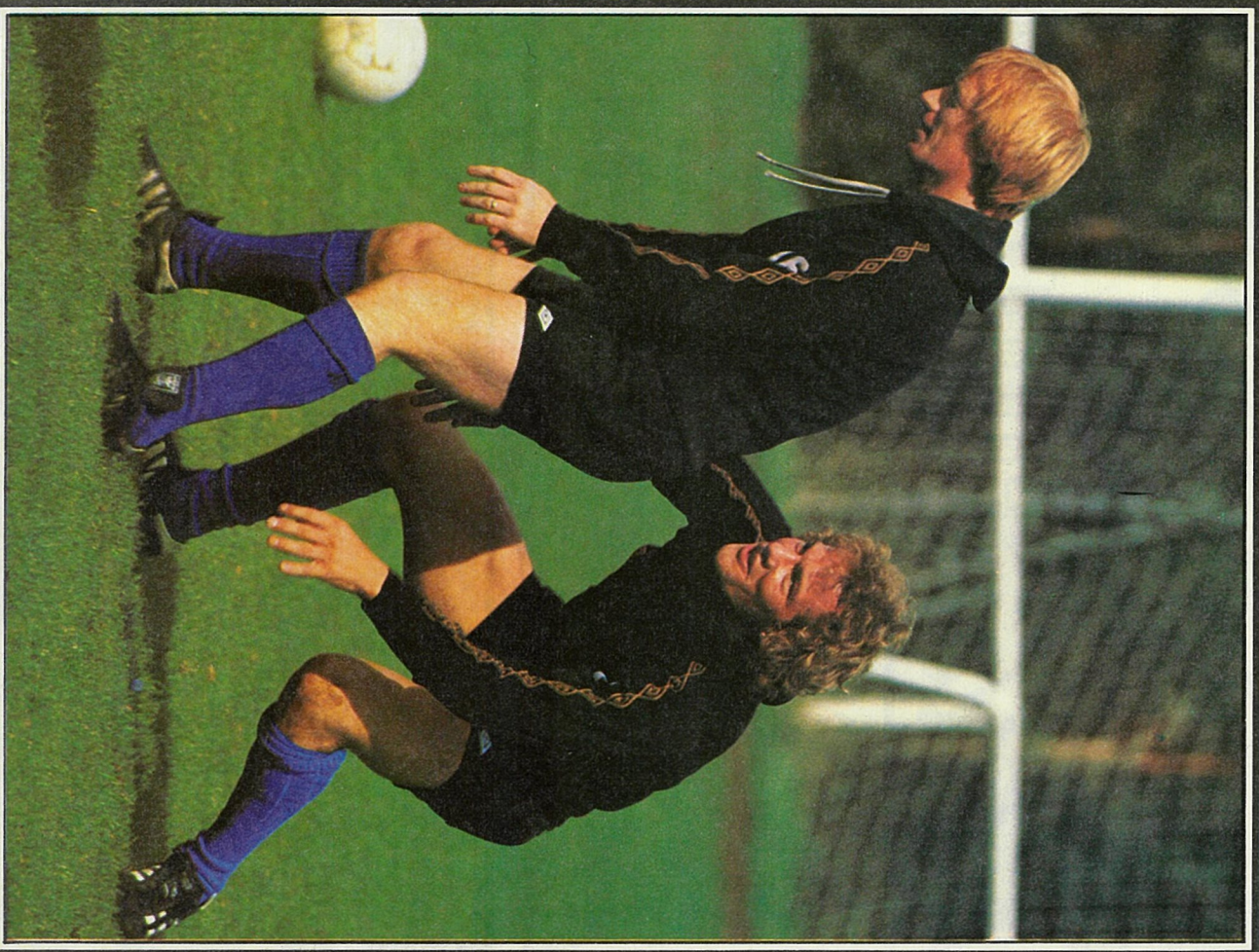
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England slam five against Northern Ireland in Belfast . . . Wales lose 5-1 to West Germany . . . Hamburg deny any rift with Kevin Keegan . . . Jim Smith admitted that he's "quietly confident" for Birmingham City to go up.



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"Hey Willie, why do I always have to be the back end of the pantomime horse?"
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Let it lie

ONE WOULD have thought – indeed hoped – that after 13 long years the hoary old issue of Geoff Hurst's World Cup 'was it a goal or wasn't it' would have been laid to rest for good.

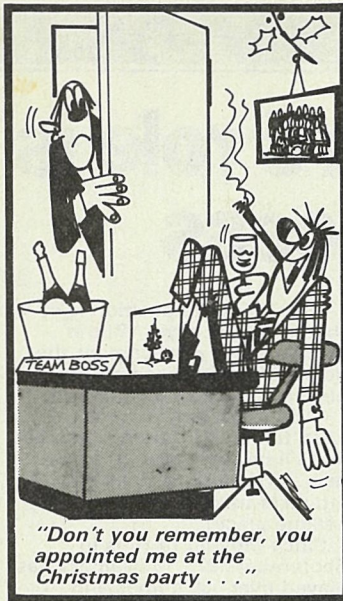
But no. Your able columnist Mr. Ardiles is the latest in a long line of exponents who delight in resurrection, and proclaims as though judge and jury that that ball failed to cross the line.

Does anyone after all this time really care anyway? I doubt it. After all England as host nation had everything going for them at any rate and the inevitability of Bobby Moore eventually clutching that gold trophy was glaring for all too many to see. Because I'm a Scot don't get me wrong.

Over the years the success England achieved that day has been clouded by the whole question of Hurst's shot. And it does seem a pity that the incident has assumed such paramount importance in so many people's minds. Even if the referee had chalked the goal off the player himself put the issue beyond doubt with the superbly taken fourth goal.

I remain – even after a welter of replays – undecided about it all. You can't alter or distort sports history anyway.

Besides, as a member of Argentina's World Cup winning side, Mr. Ardiles should not be casting aspersions on other



nations' success, as there are surely enough shadows hovering over the stadiums of Argentina to make us all recall the manner in which that country's triumph was engineered.

England and '66. Best let sleeping dogs lie.

David Kinvig, Edinburgh.

● The thing is, Dave, that to mere Englishmen, the details of their greatest triumph will always have a morbid fascination, as Ossie was quick to realise. It's a never-ending debate!

Jake's the one!

IN THE last issue of *MATCH WEEKLY* I was interested to read the letter from Iain Harvey, of Stroud. He was commenting on the ability of John Shaw of Bristol City. Over the past few years, one of the main topics of conversation is who should wear the number one shirt of the Scottish national side. Being an England supporter I get a great deal of amusement from some of the performances of certain individuals, but in my opinion, the solution to Mr. Stein's problem lies in Jake Findlay of Luton Town.

David Pleat took a gamble when he paid out £100,000 to Aston Villa for the services of the young man from Blairgowrie. At first, questions were asked, but now everyone at Kenilworth Road is buzzing at Jake Findlay's outstanding performances.

Mr. Pleat has even gone to the trouble of inviting Mr. Stein to Kenilworth Road to view 'Big Jake'.

Findlay, who stands at six feet one and weighs fourteen stone, is always willing to make his presence felt in the penalty area and if Jock Stein takes my advice he'll pay a visit to Luton one Saturday afternoon. He's bound to be well received by the club and even if he's not too impressed by Jake, he's guaranteed to see a good match!

Peter Holmes, Brickhill, Bedford.

into account Scotland's tiny population of 5 million compared with England's 50 million. Therefore a straightforward comparison produces 65,000 for Hibs v Aberdeen and 85,000 for Partick v Morton if the population of Scotland were 50 million.

The Scottish Premier League has won me over and it is certainly the best in Europe for excitement with every match needing to be won and goals galore.

Peter Livingstone, Gourrock, Renfrewshire.

British squad?

WHAT about a Great Britain team? I am sure we would have an excellent team and would be a challenge to any footballing nation with players like Keegan, Brady and Dalglish together. There have been Great Britain teams in the past like in May, 1947 when they won 6-1 against the rest of Europe and also lost 4-1 in August, 1955 to the same team. Their colours could be white (England), blue (Scotland), green (Ireland) and red (Wales).

Here is my proposed squad: P. Shilton (England), P. Jennings (N. Ireland), R. Clemence (England), P. Thompson (England), A. Hansen (Scotland), D. Watson (England), D. O'Leary (Eire), G. McQueen (Scotland), T. Brooking (England), B. Flynn (Wales), T. McDermott (England), L. Brady (Eire), R. Wilkins (England), G. Hoddle (England), K. Dalglish (Scotland), K. Keegan (England), F. Stapleton (Eire), G. Souness (Scotland), S. Heighway (Eire), S. Coppell (England), M. Thomas (Wales), J. Robertson (Scotland).

Well, what about it?
Nik Harrison, Rochford, Essex.

Scots' convert

PETER Bell's letter certainly proved the saying 'there are lies, damn lies and statistics'. On the face of it an attendance of 6,500 at Hibs v Aberdeen and 8,500 at Partick v Morton seems appalling, but you must take

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for Wales re-call

Heads you win . . . David Jones heads clear from a Notts. County attack on August 8, 1978. He was later to leave this Anglo-Scottish Cup-tie on a stretcher.



us were allowed to do anything too strenuous. I'm only sorry Billy has had to retire."

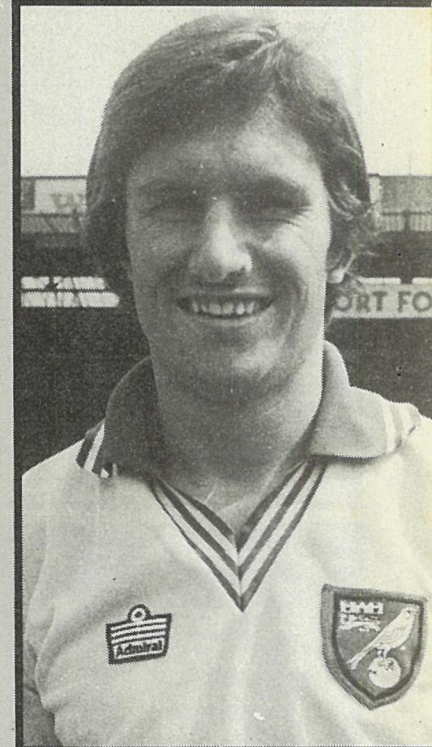
Gradually Jones felt fit enough to play for the reserves in September and then the following month he was named in a squad of 13 for the League Cup match at West Bromwich.

"I thought I was just there for the ride, but just before the start, the boss told me I was substitute. I was stunned.

"I don't think I have ever been more nervous before a match, but all the butterflies had disappeared when I came on with about 20 minutes to go.

"Now I am back on the fringes of the first-team again, but there is plenty of hard work still to be done before I am back to the form of 18 months ago. At least the agony of doubt is over."

Watched over by physio Dave Baldwin, David Jones is carried off with a badly injured leg against Notts. County . . . it took him 18 months to win his battle for fitness.



David Jones . . . 18 months on the sidelines, now fighting to win back international honours for Wales.

Fixtures

Friday, January 11

Division Four

Rochdale v Darlington.....
Stockport v Tranmere.....

Saturday, January 12

Division One

Arsenal v Leeds.....
Aston Villa v Everton.....
Bolton v Brighton.....
Derby v C. Palace.....
Liverpool v Southampton.....
Manchester C. v Tottenham.....
Middlesbrough v Manchester U.....
Norwich v Coventry.....
Nottingham Forest v W.B.A.....
Stoke v Ipswich.....
Wolves v Bristol City.....

Division Two

Bristol Rovers v Birmingham.....
Burnley v Swansea.....
Cambridge v Shrewsbury.....
Cardiff v Wrexham..... (2.45pm)
Charlton v Orient.....
Chelsea v Newcastle.....
Luton v Leicester.....
Preston v Fulham.....
Q.P.R. v Notts. County.....
Sunderland v Oldham.....
West Ham v Watford.....

Division Three

Barnsley v Swindon.....
Carlisle v Millwall.....
Chester v Bury.....
Chesterfield v Brentford.....
Exeter v Sheffield Utd.....
Gillingham v Reading.....
Grimsby v Blackburn Rovers.....
Hull v Mansfield.....
Oxford v Colchester.....
Rotherham v Southend.....
Sheffield Wed. v Plymouth.....
Wimbledon v Blackpool.....

Division Four

Bournemouth v Scunthorpe.....
Aldershot v Hartlepool.....
Bradford C. v Peterborough.....
Crewe v Halifax.....
Doncaster v Port Vale.....
Hereford v Walsall.....
Huddersfield v Lincoln.....
Northampton v Torquay.....
Portsmouth v Wigan.....
York v Newport.....

Scottish Premier Division

Aberdeen v Rangers.....
Dundee v Morton.....
Hibernian v Celtic.....
Partick v Kilmarnock.....
St. Mirren v Dundee Utd.....

Division One

Arbroath v Dunfermline.....
Berwick v St. Johnstone.....
Clyde v Hamilton.....
Clydebank v Ayr Utd.....
Dumbarton v Airdrie.....
Raith R. v Motherwell.....
Stirling v Hearts.....

Division Two

Alloa v Montrose.....
Cowdenbeath v East Stirling.....
Falkirk v Stranraer.....
Forfar A. v Albion R.....
Meadowbank v East Fife.....
Queen of South v Sten'muir.....
Queen's Park v Brechin.....

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McNamara's role is key to success

HIBS' manager Eddie Turnbull was the first to tap Jackie McNamara's talent as a sweeper — yet now he has returned him to his old midfield role.

It's all in the cause of keeping the Easter Road side in the Premier League and with the main aim of bringing much-needed bite to that vital section of the side.

So how does Jackie feel about it all?



"My favourite position is at the back," he says. "But in Hibs' present predicament the personal preferences of any player must take a back seat."

"The important thing is to keep the club in the top bracket and I'll be doing my utmost to help. After all it is in all our interests to keep our Premier League place."

Since moving to Hibs in September 1976, McNamara has played over 130 games and missed only two or three because of injury or suspension.

Not bad at all for a player languishing in Celtic's reserve side and unable to win a regular first-team spot.

Jackie joined Hibs in a swap deal which took Pat Stanton to Celtic Park — a move which infuriated the Easter Road fans.

But while Stanton had to call a halt because of injury and subsequently became assistant manager at Aberdeen, McNamara, who is also vice-chairman of the Scottish P.F.A., has more than repayed Eddie Turnbull's faith in him.

Jackie McNamara... outstanding in a new role for Hibs.

WATCH out Alan Rough! Your old mate Billy Thomson is after that Scotland goalkeeping spot.

For some seven seasons now the tall fair-haired St. Mirren star has lived in the shadow of Rough, first with Partick Thistle and now as the goalkeeper with Scotland's successful Under-21 side.

Billy, signed by Jim Clunie for £40,000 even though the Saints' boss had never actually seen him play, now has some 16 Under-21 caps and as he is 22 in

Alan Rough... looking over his shoulder at Thomson.



IF SURVIVAL is the name of the managerial game then Arbroath's Albert Henderson knows more about it than most as he goes into his eighteenth year as a full-time football boss.

Albert, who once won a Scottish Cup medal with Falkirk, succeeded John Prentice at Gayfield in 1962 and if he sees his current contract out will be there until 1981 which makes him the longest-serving manager in the British Isles.

"The one thing I have noticed is there is much more pressure on managers nowadays," says Albert. "It may be the players who make mistakes but it's the



Henderson-18years in Hot seat

manager who shoulders the blame for it.

"And I know what I am talking about. My job has been on the line a few times and I have had more than my share of problems to handle. But perhaps I've just been lucky and in the main I have enjoyed it."

"There's nothing quite like seeing players you have helped mature go on to do well in the game. I'm thinking of boys like Billy Pirie who went to Aberdeen, Barrie Mitchell to Dunfermline and Tommy Walter who went to Airdrie."

"Of course, it's not easy for a club in our situation. The population of Arbroath is 20,000. It's not simple running a club drawing its support from a town of that size."

"In my time I've seen a lot of changes with the Premier League and so on — and it's not finished yet. In the next decade I can visualise the formation of an All-British League with teams from the big population centres in a much tighter set-up

Albert Henderson... longest-serving manager in Britain.

than we have either in England or Scotland today.

"Certainly, as far as Scotland is concerned, many of the First and Second Division clubs will be relegated to a junior or minor role in the game."

Albert is no great admirer of the much-vaunted Premier League either.

"It may be competitive and it certainly is very hard, but I don't think it has done much to improve standards in the game in Scotland."

"For a start what is it doing to provide players for Scotland's international side? Not much and that should be the real test."

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FORMER Hearts' striker, Donald Ford, who won several Scottish League caps while with the Edinburgh club before he retired has won a double national honour. Donald has been chosen for the Scotland cricket squad in its inaugural venture into the Benson & Hedges Cup competition next summer.

NEXT WEEK...
The way ahead
for Scotland —
by Billy Bremner

Billy set to step up

February finishes his stint at that level as soon as Scotland's interest in the tournament ends.

"Of course, it's my ambition to play for the full squad," says Billy. "You can see I'm aiming for that spot which Roughie has done so well to hold down."

Understudy to Rough is something that Billy got well used to before he left to join Saints - a move which was the making of him.

"At Fir Hill I think I only played two first-team games in five and a half seasons," he adds. "That was in the League Cup against Dundee United."

"With St. Mirren their approach to goalkeepers is entirely different. For a start I work two days a week with former Danish international Erik Sorensen and that has helped me more than I can tell."

"For a start I tend to attack the ball much more rather than wait for it coming to me."

In the last Under-21 match against Belgium at Tynecastle two great late saves by Thomson made sure the Scots'

take their place in the last eight in the European Championship. Now they wait with interest to see what the January 12 draw turns up.

"It's been a marvellous experience," added Billy. "Invaluable in helping me towards my ambition of having a successful career in football."

Like all goalkeepers Thomson has his little eccentricities. For one thing he likes to kick the ball from his hands with his left foot and hit dead balls with his right. No reason he can think of. He just likes to do it that way.

And what about that foreign badge on his green goalkeepers' jersey. He picked that up from the Norwegian goalkeeper when Scotland played them in the Under-21 tournament. A lucky sweater perhaps? Not really - it just happens to fit well!



Billy Thomson . . . shining for Saints.

Backs to the front!

BETWEEN them, Ayr United strikers Eric Morris and Derek Frye have scored over 20 goals in the club's undefeated run of 14 games prior to the end of the year. Not a bad performance by two players who played in defensive positions with their former clubs.

Morris, a 24-year-old joiner in Ayrshire, played mainly at centre-half in his six years with Rangers and Frye, who is 27 years old, was a midfielder with Kilmarnock, Queen of the South and Dundee United.

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Raith no to Candlish bid

DUNDEE United, with money to spend from the £430,000 they got from West Ham for Raymond Stewart, have failed in an attempt to sign 22-year-old Raith Rovers left-back Chris Candlish.

United's offer, reckoned to be around £40,000, came nowhere near Raith's valuation of the player. As manager Gordon Wallace explains: "There is no way Chris is worth only a tenth of what Stewart cost West Ham. We are not being greedy but we know what we want for the player."

Wallace has also had a number of enquiries about 23-year-old striker Andy Harrow who has been knocking in the goals recently. Hibs are among the clubs showing active interest.

IRISH SCENE

Hand's across the sea

FORMER Portsmouth defender Eoin Hand has made an immediate impact as player-manager of League of Ireland side, Limerick.

Hand, who made more than 300 appearances for Portsmouth and played 19 times for Eire, has piloted part-timers Limerick to the top of the table.

"We have dropped only a handful of points and we have an outstanding chance of winning the title," said 33-year-old Hand whose loyal service with Portsmouth was rewarded with a benefit last season.

Hand's young team are beginning to attract interest from across the water. Wolves have watched young central defender Brendan Storen and Notts County admire full-back Pat Nolan.

"We do not want to lose them but I suppose it is inevitable," said Hand who has been in England looking for League players hoping for a fresh challenge in Ireland.

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NORTHERN Ireland find themselves short of key players for their summer tour of Australia. Although all unanimously said yes when the Irish F.A. broached the subject in September some are having second thoughts. A three-week, five-game series cuts into the summer vacation, leaving only two weeks before they report back for training.

The squad will be drawn up provisionally in March, one of the first jobs to be given to the new manager.

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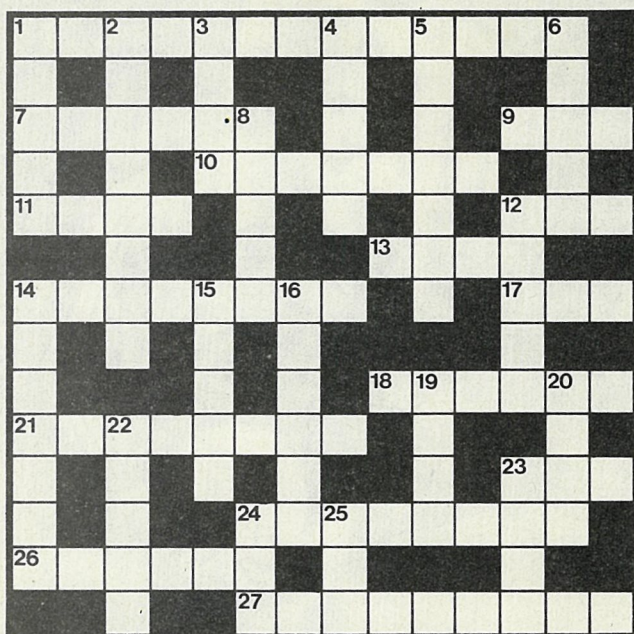
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Across:

1. Coventry No. 6 recently featured in our 'Soccer Superkids' series. (4,9)
7. A good one can often stop an attack.
9. Could be Colin of Spurs, or Trevor, of Colchester.
10. Hang a learner sign on the toilet and watch it turn into Sunderland's Shaun! (anagram)
11. Villa Park forward.
12. Turn Ray into a whole team! (anagram)
13. See 19 down.

14. Put Ron Deans in Forest strip. (anagram)
17. and 18. Manchester United favourite formerly with Celtic. (3,6)
21. Defender who's played over 130 games for Brighton and even more for Chesterfield. (3,5)
23. Part of Graham Paddon that provides protection to the shins.
24. Manager who provides our star player analysis page.
26. A leading Scottish club.
27. Leeds' £80,000 signing from Sunderland.

Down:

1. Ipswich mini-striker who scored a hat-trick against Manchester City.
2. Dr Chairs often hands out the medicine to Wolves' opponents! (anagram)
3. Stormy sounding Fulham player.
4. Elland Road goalie.
5. W.B.A. defender.
6. Sounds rough – but Derby paid £100,000 for him!
8. Fratton Park regular.
12. Scottish club known as 'The

- Wasps'.
14. Man 'between the sticks' at White Hart Lane.
15. It's Cyrille, of course!
16. Ron Tie forms a London club. (anagram)
19. and 13. across The Dell's Mr Non-stop. (4,4)
20. Brighton's Dublin-born attacker.
22. Burnley's highest goalscorer last season.
23. If you hit this, it's a near miss.
24. Top player.
25. You'll need this to play in.

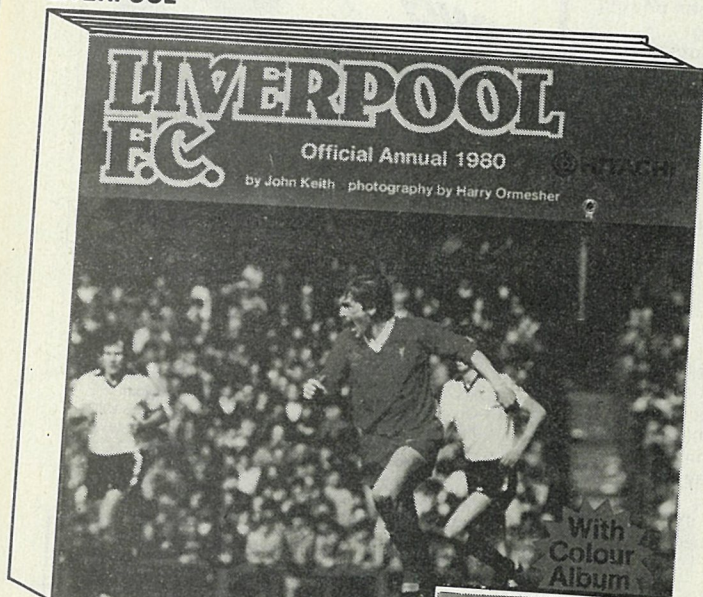
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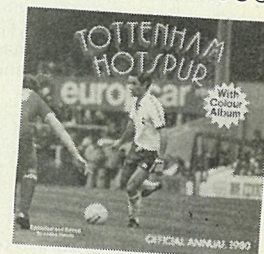
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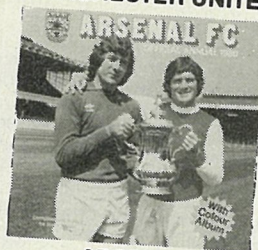
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Short cut



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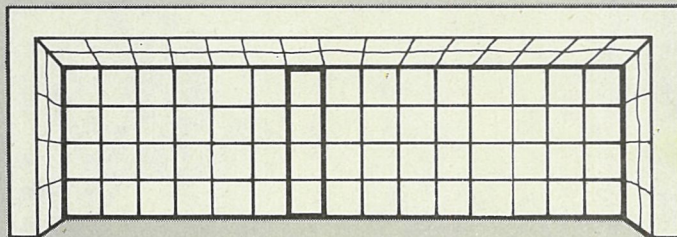
JOIN THE CLUB

WRITE the four soccer names shown below into the netting (one letter to a square and one name to a line) so that the word CLUB appears reading down one of the columns.

But – be careful! We haven't given the names in the right order, and they don't necessarily start in the first column.

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SCORE SIX

USING only letters that appear in MARTIN PETERS can you find the six soccer words indicated by these clues?

1. Two are needed to make a match.
2. Shirt, shorts, socks and shoes.
3. He looks after the players.
4. The referee often takes them!
5. Scotland manager.
6. Fouls.

Transfers

HERE are some apparently ordinary words, but if you rearrange the letters of each one you'll find the well-known soccer names and words indicated.

1. ROMEO Former England skipper.
2. NODS Nickname of Wimbledon.
3. LAITY Country that will stage the next European Championship finals.
4. MARIE Famous West German goalkeeper.
5. HOOTS Try and score.
6. WILTON A winning score.
7. AWING The youngest Football League club.
8. VOWELS Nickname of a famous Midlands club.
9. REVERSE A second-team player.
10. GRAINED Division Three club.

HOW's your soccer knowledge? See how many of these questions you can answer correctly. If you get all 20 right you could be in the running for the Brain of Sport title. Between 10 and 20 correct – you're a pretty knowledgeable fan. Below 10... keep practising – and read your MATCH WEEKLY every week!

1. Which English club reached the semi-finals in the very first European Cup competition?
2. Which side won the Centenary F.A. Cup final?
3. Who was runner-up to Kenny Dalglish in the 1979 Football Writer's 'Player of the Year' award?
4. Which side did Jock Stein leave to join Celtic as a player in 1951?
5. When Denis Law ended up on the losing side in an F.A. Cup-tie, despite scoring six goals, who were Manchester City playing?
6. Which club were runners-up in the F.A. Cup in both 1931 and 1956?
7. Which British side took Naples to three matches in the 1962–63 European Cup Winners' Cup?
8. Who was the first Division One player to receive his 'marching orders' in a Football League game in the 1979–80 season?



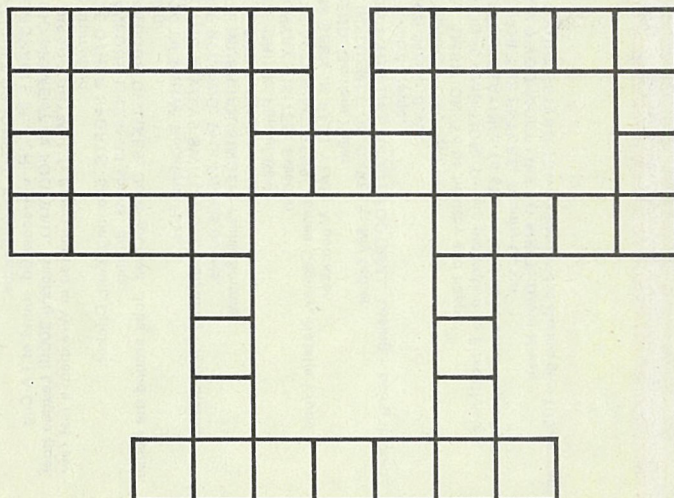
If you can recognise the player in the picture it will give you the answer to question number eight in the quiz.

9. Who was the first man to play in, and then go on to manage a First Division Championship-winning team?
10. With which club did Dave Watson start his Football League career?
11. Which player appeared in a record NINE F.A. Cup finals?
12. Who was the first manager to receive the sack after the start of the 1979–80 season?
13. Who did Bournemouth defeat 11–0 in an F.A. Cup-tie in 1971?
14. Which member of the England World Cup squad in 1962 was, at the time, assistant manager to Walter Winterbottom?
15. Which was Gordon Milne's last League club as a player?
16. Which man played against Real Madrid in the very first European Cup final, and later appeared FOR Real Madrid in several finals?
17. Who was the Swindon Town goalkeeper when they won the Football League Cup in 1969?
18. Who, in 1979, succeeded Alan Hardaker as Secretary of the Football League?
19. Who did Uruguay defeat in the very first World Cup final in 1930?
20. Which is the only team to have been beaten in two successive Football League Cup finals at Wembley?



FIT-IN

THE following twelve football words and names can be fitted into the pattern below in only one way. Can you do it?
ARSENAL, BAN, DIVE, LOB, LOSER, REAL, SKILL, STAR, VALE, VILLA, WIN, WORLD.



It's football, initially

BOTH initials of many players, teams and managers are the same. For example, Coventry City. Can you find the following players, teams and managers, from these clues?

1. AA – This team topped the Holland League, last year.
2. BB – Doncaster Rovers' manager, former Scotland player.
3. CC – The 'Bluebirds' from Ninian Park.
4. HH – Sheffield United's manager.
5. JJ – Manchester United's Scotland striker.
6. KK – England's man in Germany.
7. KK – The 'Canaries' keeper.
8. LL – This Leipzig club plays in the East German League.
9. RR – This Scottish team play at Stark's Park.
10. WW – This team just missed relegation last season.

match makers



DIXIE McNEIL

FULL NAME: Richard McNeil.

BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Melton Mowbray, 16.1.47.

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 10½ins. 12st 0lb.

MARRIED: Yes, to Dana.

CHILDREN: Richard (5), Jamie (1).

CAR: Cortina Estate.

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Leicester, Exeter, Corby, Northampton, Lincoln, Hereford.

TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Electrical technician.

WORST EVER INJURY: Damage to tendon under my foot.

FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: Kevin Keegan – good professional and very down to earth.

FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: West Ham.

FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: None.

BEST ALL TIME BRITISH TEAM: Banks, Cohen, Wright, Moore, Wilson, Edwards, Mennion, Charlton, Matthews, Drake, Finney.

ALL TIME INTERNATIONAL XI: Banks, Santos D., Santos W., Zito, Bellini, Orlando, Garrncha, Didi, Vava, Pele, Jairzinho.

FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Arsenal.

FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Arsenal.

BEST GOAL SCORED: (v Blyth Spartans) FA Cup Replay at Newcastle.

BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: v Blyth Spartans.

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Kevin Beattie.

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: v Arsenal 5th round of FA Cup.

OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Scoring 200th League goal.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Being injured in Wrexham's last few games for promotion.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Shooting, Golf, Cricket.

MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: All sports, driving.

MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Do-it-yourself. Jobs around the house, wallpapering.

FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Rockford Files.

TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: Anything I find boring.

FAVOURITE READING: Dick Francis novels.

FAVOURITE MUSICIAN/SINGER: Frank Sinatra.

FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak or Scampi.

FAVOURITE DRINK: Pint of Beer.

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Sweden.

FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: James Cagney, Natalie Wood.

BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Moonraker.

BEST FRIEND: Graham Fuller.

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: My father.

WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Losing – being injured.

SUPERSTITIONS: None.

PRE-MATCH MEAL: Steak.

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: None.

PERSONAL AMBITION: To be healthy and happy.

PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To win promotion to First Division.

CAREER AFTER PLAYING: To stay in football in some capacity.

A PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Tommy Caton.

WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: David Niven.

ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: To work hard and to always give 100 per cent.

MY WORLD CUP FUTURE?

I am waiting for Menotti's call

I WAS interested to read in a national newspaper that Cesar Menotti had said that only the Argentinian home-based players would form the 1982 World Cup squad and he was quoted as more or less saying that Ricky, Kempes and I would have to come back to the homeland if we wanted to play.

Menotti has always told me that he must look at the players in Argentina first. But if I am playing exceptionally well in England, or wherever I am at the time, then I will stand a good chance. Menotti is not one to forget the part we played in the '78 World Cup finals and if he is not happy with what he's got then hopefully we'll get the call.

My first goal of the season in the recent game with Aston Villa was about the only bright spot for me in the 90 minutes.

Villa showed more character than us in the match and it was no surprise when they went home with the two points.

Villa have a lot of young players in the side and look to be a good bet for honours in a couple of years. They never at any time allowed us to settle on the ball and it wasn't until the last third that we were able to assert any sort of influence on the proceedings.

Still there was always my first goal of the season to celebrate! I never seem to find my way on the scoresheet regularly and it was a great thrill to watch the ball hit the net.

I always reckon the best thing in football is to win, the next best thing to play well, and the next best to score.

Colin Lee made the goal for me against Villa and when a defender got in the way of his cross I was in plenty of space to control the ball and rifle it past Jimmy Rimmer with my right foot.

It's amazing that the goal came when it did because only a couple of weeks ago Spurs' manager Keith Burkinshaw told me that I mustn't forget that primarily I am a midfielder player. He reckoned I was playing



too far upfield although I have never had a specific role in the Tottenham line-up.

I'm hoping the goal is the first of many this season. Last year I only got four and I can well recall the scenes of delight when I scored my first League goal late in the season against Derby. It's a bit different to Ricky Villa's scoring record. You may remember he scored in our opening game in England at Nottingham Forest.

I've scored a few times for the Argentinian team. In fact I think I probably scored my best-ever goal for the national team.

It was in 1977 and we were playing a friendly against River Plate. We won 2-1 and I got the first goal.

I got the ball about 30 yards from goal and went past one player. I veered to the left and cut into the penalty area and as the goalkeeper came out I lobbed the ball over his head from a very difficult position.

The best goal that I've ever seen though was Carlos Alberto's effort in the 1970 World Cup Final against Italy.

It was a tremendous controlled pass from Pele that set him up and Alberto's shot was beautifully drilled into the corner of the net giving the 'keeper no chance.

See you soon . . .

Os Aspile



My first goal of the season is on its way into the net.

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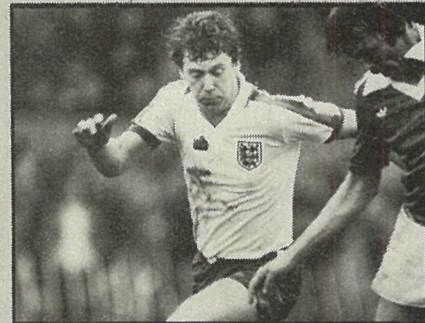
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Club spotlight

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Half-term report

Who's the best 'Keeper, defender, midfielder, striker? 'MATCH FACTS' has been plotting the season so far. Next week we will reveal the best at the half-way mark. THE FACTS don't lie, they make fascinating reading.

Derby may go down-Hector

DERBY County may well face relegation to the Second Division this season – that's the warning from former Baseball Ground favourite Kevin Hector.

And he lays much of the blame at the feet of ex-Derby boss Tommy Docherty – now managing successfully at Queen's Park Rangers.

Hector, currently on loan to non-league Burton Albion, told **MATCH WEEKLY**: "I feel Tommy Docherty did a lot of damage to the club by selling too many of their best players.

"I certainly wouldn't have liked to have stepped into the manager's shoes after Docherty left.

"Now I think the situation is such that Derby might have to go down to the Second Division and work their way back up again. It's going to be very hard for them to survive this season."

"Going back three or four years Derby were the champions, but most of the players there now are just ordinary players apart from people like David Langan and Gerry Daly."

Hector is obviously saddened by the plight of his old club. As for his own future, that's also in the balance.

He revealed he may turn his back on Vancouver Whitecaps – the team he helped to victory in last season's North American Soccer League Soccer Bowl – even though he plans to go back to the States in March.

"I'm not really sure yet where I'll be going, but it could be I'll have a change," said Hector.

"I've had two seasons out there now – both with Vancouver. It's a beautiful place and playing through the summer means that conditions are wonderful.

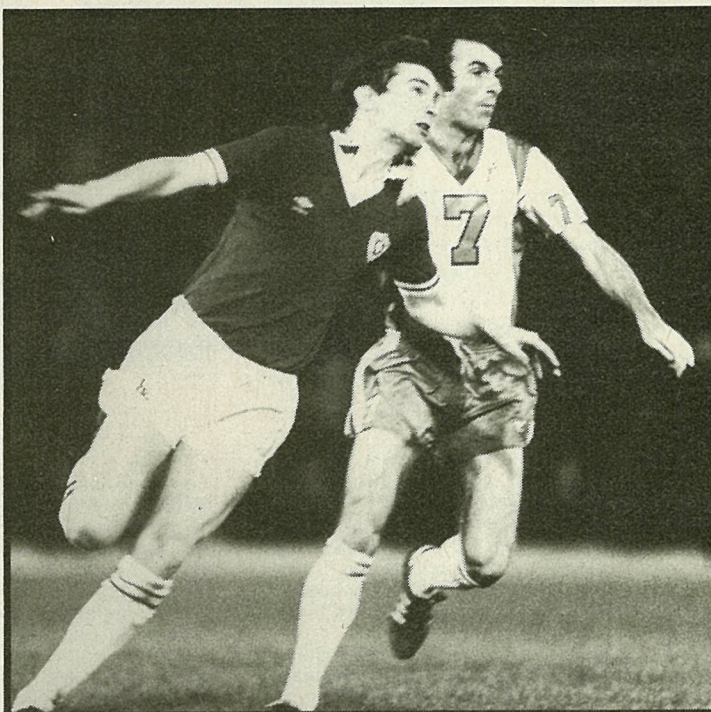
"Then of course we won the Soccer Bowl last year, but it wasn't the same as cup finals over here.

During his last spell in Vancouver, Hector rented a house for himself, wife Patricia and daughters, Samantha (11) and Amanda (8).

"The children went to school out there and they loved it. They just fitted in straight away. We were all made to feel really welcome.

"One thing you have to get used to is the artificial turf. Some clubs have that and others have grass – it's about half and half.

"It's a totally different game on the artificial turf and it takes a lot out of you," said Hector, who scored 256 Football League goals in spells with Bradford and Derby.



Kevin Hector (light shirt) guesting for Tulsa Roughnecks against Leicester City earlier this season.

His spell on loan to Burton Albion, of the Southern League (Midland region), came about through his friendship with Burton manager and former Forest and Man. Utd. player Ian Storey-Moore.

"You find some players go out to whack you and maybe one or two who possibly resent that you are an ex-League player, but generally it's good and Burton have a good set of players."

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CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 1 (Francis, pen 69)
MIDDLESBROUGH (1) 2 (Hedley 24, Hodgson 68)
Att: 24,880
Crystal Palace: Burridge 7, Hinshelwood 6, Fenwick 6, Nicholas 6, ★**CANNON 8**, Gilbert 7, Murphy 6, Francis 6, Swindlehurst 6 (sub. Walsh 7), Flanagan 6, Hilaire 7.
Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Craggs 7, Johnson 6, Hedley 7, Ashcroft 7, McAndrew 6, Cochrane 7, Proctor 6, ★**HODGSON 8**, Jankovic 7, Armstrong 7 (sub. Ramage 6).
Referee: C. Thomas (Porthcawl)
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Sending Off: Cochrane (M'boro')

EVERTON (0) 1 (King 77)
DERBY COUNTY (0) 1 (Davies 53)
Att: 22,559
Everton: Hodge 7, Gidman 7, Bailey 7, Wright 7, Lyons 6, ★**KING 8**, Hartford 7, Stanley 7, Latchford 6, Kidd 7, McBride 7.
Derby: ★**McKELLAR 8**, Langan 7, Buckley 7, Daly 7, Webb 7, Osgood 7, Clark 7, Powell 6, Duncan 7, Davies 7, Emson 6.
Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke on Trent)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

IPSWICH (0) 1 (Butcher 55)
WOLVES (0) 0
Att: 22,333
Ipswich: Cooper 7, Burley 6, Mills 7, ★**THIJSEN 8**, Osman 6, Butcher 7, Wark 6, Muhren 7, Mariner 7, Brazil 7, Gates 6.
Wolves: Bradshaw 7, Palmer 6 (sub. Clarke), Brazier 6, Daniel 7, McAlle 6, Berry 7, Hibbitt 7, ★**CARR 8**, Gray 6, Richards 7, Eves 7.
Referee: C. Downey (Hounslow)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

LEEDS (2) 2 (Hird 26, Hankin 44)
NORWICH (1) 2 (Mendham 11, Taylor 74)
Att: 23,493
Leeds: ★**LUKIC 8**, Cherry 7, Stevenson 6, Hamson 6, Hart 7, Madeley 6, Gray 6, Hird 7, Connor 7, Hankin 7, Harris 7.
Norwich: Keelan 7, Bond 6, Downs 6, ★**MENDHAM 9** (sub. Nightingale), Brown 7, Jones 6, Ryan 7, Taylor 7, Fashanu 6, Paddon 7, Peters 8.
Referee: J. Sewell (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

MANCHESTER UNITED (2) 3 (McQueen 7, Jordan 24, McLroy, pen 72)
ARSENAL (0) 0
Att: 54,295
Man Utd: Bailey 7, Nicholl 6, Houston 6, McLroy 7, McQueen 7, Buchan 7, Coppell 6, ★**WILKINS 9**, Jordan 8, Macari 7, Thomas 7.
Arsenal: Jennings 7, Devine 7, Rice 6, Talbot 6, O'Leary 6 (sub. Walford), Young 6, ★**BRADY 8**, Sunderland 6, Stapleton 6, Hollins 7, Rix 6.
Referee: D. T. Richardson (Lincoln)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

SOUTHAMPTON (1) 2 (Boyer 37, Peach, pen 65)
BOLTON (0) 0
Att: 21,605
Southampton: Wells 6, Golac 8, Peach 7, ★**WILLIAMS 9**, Watson 7, Nicholl 7, Ball 8, Boyer 7, Channon 8, Holmes 7, Hebbard 8.
Bolton: ★**McDONAGH 8**, Clement 5, Nicholson 6, Greaves 5, Allardyce 5, Walsh 6, Nowak 5, Carter 6, Gowing 5, Cantello 5, Thompson 5 (sub. Burke 6).
Referee: R. Toseland (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

TOTTENHAM (1) 1 (Pratt 42)
STOKE (0) 0
Att: 28,810
Spurs: Aleksic 6, Hughton 7, Smith, G 6, Yorath 6, McAllister 7, Perryman 7, Ardiles 7, Jones 6, Gibson 7, Hoddle 7, ★**PRATT 8**.
Stoke: Fox 7, Evans 7, Johnson 6, Doyle 5, Smith, D 5, Dodd 6,

★**HEATH 8**, Irvine 6, O'Callaghan 5, Crooks 6, Sheldon 7.
Referee: L. Burton (Somerset)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

WBA (0) 0
LIVERPOOL (2) 2 (Johnson 23, 44)
Att: 34,915
WBA: Godden 6, ★**BATSON 8**, Pendrey 6, Treweek 5, Wile 6, Robertson 6, Robson 6, Deehan 7, Regis 5, Owen 5 (sub. Brown, A), Barnes 6.
Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 6, Kennedy, A 6, Thompson 6, Kennedy, R 7, Hansen 7, Dalglish 7, Case 7, Johnson 8 (sub. Heighway), ★**McDERMOTT 9**, Souness 7.
Referee: A. Glasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

Division Two

BIRMINGHAM (1) 2 (Worthington 10, Bertschin 59)
CARDIFF (0) 1 (Bishop 57)
Att: 16,682
Birmingham: Wealands 7, Broadhurst 7, Dennis 7, Curbishley 7, Gallagher 5, Todd 6, Ainscow 6, Worthington 7, ★**BERTSCHIN 8**, Gemmill 6, Johnston 7.
Cardiff: Grotier 7, Jones 7, Sullivan 6, Campbell 6, Pontin 7, Thomas 6, Lewis 7, ★**BISHOP 8**, Stevens 6, Ronson 6, Moore 6.
Referee: F. Phipps (Wrexham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

FULHAM (0) 0
SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (Marangoni 55)
Att: 9,591
Fulham: Peyton 6, Peters 6, Strong 6, Money 7, Banton 5, Gale 6, ★**MARINELLO 8**, Beck 6, Davies 7, Maybank 7, Lock 7 (sub. Greenaway 6).
Sunderland: Turner 7, Whitworth 7, Bolton 7, Clarke 7, ★**ELLIOTT 8**, Buckley 7, Arnott 7, Marangoni 7, Hawley 6, Robson 7, Rowell 6.
Referee: B. Hill (Wellingborough)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

LEICESTER (0) 2 (Rofe 81, Henderson 86)
QPR (0) 0
Att: 20,743
Leicester: Wallington 7, Williams 7, Rofe 6, Goodwin 6, May 6, O'Neill 6, ★**BYRNE 8**, Henderson 6, Young 7, Kelly 7, Smith 6 (sub. Wilson 6).
QPR: Woods 6, Shanks 6, Gillard 6, ★**MCREEERY 8**, Wicks 7, Hazell 5, Goddard 6 (sub. Waddock 6), Roeder 7, Allen 7, Currie 6, Hill 6.
Referee: L. M. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Hazell (QPR)

NEWCASTLE (0) 2 (Shoulder 67, Cassidy 80)
CHARLTON (0) 0
Att: 26,238
Newcastle: Hardwick 7, Brownlie 8, Davies 7, Cassidy 7, Barton 7, Boam 7, Shoulder 8, Cartwright 8, Connolly 7, Rafferty 7, ★**HIBBITT 9**.
Charlton: Wood 7, Hazell 6, Shaw 7, Tydeman 6 (sub. Powell 6), ★**BERRY 8**, Madden 7, Robinson 6, Warman 7, Hales 6, Walker 7, Gritt 7.
Referee: P. Tyldesley (Stockport)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

NOTTS COUNTY (1) 2 (Hunt 35, Christie 85)
BURNLEY (2) 3 (Cavener 18, 74, Hamilton 24)
Att: 7,596
Notts Co: ★**AVRAMOVIC 7**, Benjamin 5, O'Brien 6, Hunt 6, Stubbs 5, Blockley 5, McCulloch 5, Masson 5, Hooks 4, Beavon 5, Mair 4 (sub. Christie 5).
Burnley: Stevenson 6, Scott 6, Brennan 6, Burke 6, Overson 6, Rodaway 6, Cavener 7, ★**DOBSON 8**, Hamilton 7, Young 6, Smith 6.
Referee: P. Partridge (Bishop Auckland)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

OLDHAM v WEST HAM — Match Postponed

ORIENT (0) 2 (Jennings 56, Godfrey 88)
LUTON (2) 2 (Moss 29, pen 37)
Att: 9,292
Orient: Day 7, Fisher 6, Smith 7, Taylor 7, Gray 6, Moores 7, Chiedozi 7 (sub. Godfrey), Hughton 7, Mayo 7, ★**JENNINGS 8**, Coates 7.
Luton: Findlay 6, Stephens 7, Donaghy 7, Grealish 6, Saxby 6, Price 7, Hill 7, West 7, Stein 7, Hutton 6, ★**MOSS 9** (sub. White).
Referee: D. V. Reeves (Middlesex)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

SHREWSBURY (2) 3 (Biggins 20, King 34, Aitken, og 59)
BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 1 (Penny 82)
Att: 7,097
Shrewsbury: Wardle 6, King 6, Larkin 5, ★**TURNER 8**, Griffin 6, Keay 6, Tong 7, Atkins 6, Biggins 6, Dungworth 6, Maguire 6.
Bristol Rovers: Thomas 6, Bate 6, Williams 6, Mabbutt 7, Taylor 7 (sub. Jones 6), Aitken 6, Barrowclough 6, Emmanuel 6, ★**PENNY 8**, Dennehy 6, Pulis 6.
Referee: K. McNally (South Wirral)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

SWANSEA (0) 1 (Waddle 64)
PRESTON (0) 0
Att: 11,401
Swansea: Letheren 6, Phillips 5, Rushbury 7, Charles 7, Stevenson 7, Giles 5, Craig 6, James 7, Waddle 7, Toshack 7 (sub. Attley 6), ★**CALLAGHAN 8**.
Preston: ★**TUNKS 8**, Taylor 6, McAteer 6, Burns 6, Baxter 6, O'Riordan 5, Bell 6, Coleman 5, Elliott 7, Potts 6 (sub. Haslegrave 7), Bruce 6.
Referee: M. R. Baker (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

WATFORD (0) 0
CAMBRIDGE UTD (0) 0
Att: 13,481
Watford: Steele 6, Henderson 5, Harrison 5, Patching 6, Sims 6, Bolton 7, Pollard 7 (sub. Cassells 5), Blissett 7, Ward 6, Train 8, ★**ROSTRON 9**.
Cambridge: Webster 6, Stringer 6, Smith 6, Calderwood 5, Fallon 7, ★**O'NEILL 8**, Biley 6, Spriggs 6, Reilly 7, Gibbins 7, Murray 7.
Referee: D. W. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

WREXHAM (1) 2 (McNeil 13, Vinter 68)
CHELSEA (0) 0
Att: 15,641
Wrexham: Davies 7, Hill 7, Kenworthy 6, Davis 7, Jones 8, ★**FOX 9**, Vinter 8, Sutton 7, Edwards 7, McNeil 8, Carrodus 7.
Chelsea: Borota 6, Locke 6, Sparrow 6, Busthead 7, Droy 7, Chivers 7, ★**BRITTON 8**, Fillery 6, Langley 6, Walker 7, Harris 5 (sub. Rhoades-Brown 5).
Referee: G. E. Flint (Kirkby-in-Ashfield)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

Division Three

BRENTFORD (1) 1 (Fraser 16)
SWINDON (2) 3 (Kamara 25, Rowland 44, Mayes 85)
Att: 12,120
Brentford: Bond 7, Shrubbs 5, ★**SALMAN 8**, Jones 6, Kruse 7, Fraser 6, Carlton 6 (sub. Holmes 6), Fear 5, Booker 7, Graham 6, Phillips 6.
Swindon: Allan 6, Lewis 5, Stroud 5, McHale 7, Tucker 6, Carter 6, Miller 7, Kamara 6, Rowland 7, ★**MAYES 8**, Williams 6.
Referee: G. Napthine (Loughborough)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

BURY v BLACKBURN — Match Postponed

CARLISLE v SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY — Match Postponed
CHESTER (0) 1 (Rush 71)
BLACKPOOL (0) 0
Att: 4,212

Chester: Millington 6, Raynor 5 (sub. Jeffries 5), Walker 4, Storton 7, Cottam 6, Oakes 5, Sutcliffe 7, Jones 6, ★**RUSH 8**, Phillips 6, Henderson 5.
Blackpool: Hesford 6, Gardner 5, Pashley 4, McEwan 6, Ashurst 7, Thompson 6, Harrison 5, Doyle 7, ★**BAMBER 8**, Kellow 6, Weston 4 (sub. Hockaday 4).
Referee: V. Callow (Solihull)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

COLCHESTER (1) 1 (Lee 42)
ROTHERHAM (1) 1 (Gooding 14)
Att: 3,375
Colchester: Walker 6, Cook 6, Packer 7, Leslie 6, Wignall 6, Dowman 7, Hodge 6, Rowles 5 (sub. Wright 6), Foley 6, ★**LEE 8**, Allinson 6.
Rotherham: Mountford 7, Forrest 6, Breckin 6, Tiler 5, Stancliffe 7, Green 6, Gooding 6, Rhodes 7, ★**DAWSON 8**, Fern 5, Finney 6.
Referee: M. Bidmead (Chessington)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

MANSFIELD (0) 0
EXETER (1) 1 (Neville 12)
Att: 3,711
Mansfield: Arnold 5, Thompson 6, Foster 5, Curtis 6, ★**BIRD 8**, McClelland 7, Thomson 6, Taylor 5, Austin 6, Lathan 5 (sub. Allen), Mann 6.
Exeter: Main 7, Mitchell 6, Hatch 5, Hore 7, Giles 6, Roberts, P 8, Neville 6, Rogers 6, Bowker 5, Delve 5, Pullar 5.
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

MILLWALL (0) 2 (Lyons 51, Towner 60)
GILLINGHAM (0) 0
Att: 6,911
Millwall: Jackson 7, Donaldson 6 (sub. Coleman 6), Roberts 7, Mehmet 7, Tagg 6, Blyth 6, ★**TOWNER 9**, Seaman 6, Mitchell 6, Lyons 7, O'Callaghan 8.
Gillingham: Hillyard 7, Bruce 6 (sub. Richardson), Barker 6, Overton 5, Weatherly 5, Crabbe 6, Nicholl 7, ★**HUGHES 8**, Price 6, Westwood 7, Funnell 7.
Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

OXFORD (0) 3 (Berry 50, 85, Foley 81)
HULL (0) 0
Att: 3,662
Oxford: Brown 7, Doyle 7, Watson 6, Briggs 6, Cooke 6, Jeffrey 5, ★**TAYLOR 8**, Duncan 7, Foley 7, Berry 7, Hodgson 6.
Hull: Blackburn 6, Nisbett 5, Skipper 6, Croft 5, Dobson 6, De Vries 5, Roberts 5, Haigh 6, Edwards 6, ★**NORRIE 7**, Phillips 5.
Referee: A. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

PLYMOUTH (0) 1 (Ridley, og 54)
CHESTERFIELD (0) 0
Att: 6,425
Plymouth: Crudington 7, James 7, Harrison 6, Randall 7, ★**FOSTER 9**, Phillipson-Masters 6, Hodges 8, Cooper 6, Sims 6, Bason 7, Graves 6.
Chesterfield: Kendall 6, Tarrt 6, ★**O'NEILL 8**, Ridley 7, Green 7, Kowalski 6, Birch 7, Moss 6, Walker 6, Salmons 7, Crawford 7.
Referee: E. A. Read (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

READING (3) 7 (Heale 11, 83, Earles 21, 71, Bowman, pen 34, Kearney 64, Kearns 87)
BARNLEY (0) 0
Att: 5,488
Reading: Death 6, Joslyn 7, ★**WHITE 8**, Bowman 7, Hetzke 7, Moreline 7, Earles 7, Kearney 7, Heale 7, Sanchez 6, Lewis 6.
Barnley: Springett 5, Flavell 5 (sub. Joyce 5), Collins 5, ★**GLAVIN 6**, Chambers 5, McCarthy 5, Banks 5, Clarke 5, Graham 5, Lester 5, Pugh 5.
Referee: R. C. Challis (Tonbridge)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★ ★★

SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 1 (Bourne, pen 54)

CUT OUT AND KEEP



GRIMSBY (1) 1 (Cumming 17)
Att: 21,684
Sheff Utd: Richardson 7, Moore, T 6, Tibbott 7, Kenworthy 8, McPhail 7, Matthews 8, De Goey 6, Bourne 7 (sub. Brown 7), Butlin 8, Garner 7, ★**SABELLA 9**.
Grimsby: ★**BATCH 9**, Moore, D 6, Moore, K 7, Waters 8, Wigginton 7, Crombie 8, Brolly 7, Ford 7, Liddell 6, Mitchell 7, Cumming 7.
Referee: N. H. Glover (Chorley)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★
Sending Off: Liddell (Grimsby)

SOUTHEND (1) 1 (Polycarpou 17)
WIMBLEDON (0) 3 (Denny 47, 73, Cork 58)
Att: 3,952
Southend: Cawston 6, Moody 6, Yates 5, Gray 5, Cusack 5, Hadley 6, Polycarpou 6, Pountney 6, ★**PARKER 7**, Otulakowski 6, Nelson 6.
Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Briley 7, Jones 6, Galliers 7, Bowgett 7, Downes 7, Dziadulewicz 7, Parsons 7, ★**DENNY 8**, Cork 7, Lewington 6.
Referee: M. J. Taylor (Kent)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

Division Four

BOURNEMOUTH (0) 1 (Butler 55)
DARLINGTON (0) 0
Att: 3,260
Bournemouth: Allen 7, Cunningham 6, Ferns 7, Impey 6, Townsend 6, Chambers 6, ★**HOLDER 8**, MacDougall 6, Butler 7, Evanson 6, Miller 7.
Darlington: Owers 7, Nattress 6, Cochrane 7, Ball 7, ★**CRAIG 8**, Smith 7, McLean 7, Charlton 6, Stalker 6, Taylor 6 (sub. Hamilton 6), Walsh 6.
Referee: T. Bune (Billingshurst)
Match Rating: ★★

DONCASTER (0) 1 (Little 65)
HUDDERSFIELD (2) 2 (Stanton 6, Kindon 33)
Att: 7,337
Doncaster: Peacock 7, Russell 7, Snodin 7, Lister 7, ★**LALLY 9**, Bradley 8, Pugh 6 (sub. Fell 6), Nimmo 8, Riley 6, Dowie 7, Little 8.
Huddersfield: Rankin 7, Brown 6, Robinson 6, ★**STANTON 9**, Sutton 7, Hanvey 7, Laverick 8, Hart 7, Kindon 8, Robins 8, Cowling 6.
Referee: H. R. Robinson (Woodbridge)
Match Rating: ★★ ★★

HALIFAX (0) 0
PETERBOROUGH (0) 0
Att: 3,639
Halifax: ★**KILNER 8**, Dunleavy 6, Hutt 7, Evans 7, Harris 6, Hendrie 6, Firth 6, Kennedy 5, Burke 6, Smith 7, Stafford 7.
Peterborough: Waugh 7, Carmichael 6, Phillips 6, Guy 7, Slough 6, Foster 7, Quow 7, Kellock 6, Cliss 7, Syrett 7, ★**ROBSON 8**.
Referee: P. Richardson (Lincoln)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

HARTLEPOOL (0) 1 (Houchen 62)
ROCHDALE (0) 1 (Seal 82)
Att: 3,205
Hartlepool: Burleigh 7, Sweeney 6, Carr 6, Lawrence 7, Brookes 8, Ayre 7, Linacre 6 (sub. Houchen 7), Loadwick 7, Newton 7, Harding 7, ★**HAMPTON 9**.
Rochdale: Watson 7, Bannon 6, ★**SNOOKES 9**, O'Laughlin 5, Waldron 7, Taylor 6, Esser 7, Wann 6, Seal 8, Scaife 7, Hilditch 5.
Referee: B. Martin (Keyworth, Notts)
Match Rating: ★★

LINCOLN (1) 1 (Bell 20)
YORK (0) 1 (Clements 59)
Att: 3,492
Lincoln: McManus 7, Thompson 6, Neale 6, Sunley 7, Saunders 6, Peake 7, Hobson 6, Carr 6, Harford 6, ★**CUNNINGHAM 8**, Bell 7.
York: Brown 6, Kay 6, Harrison 7, ★**PUGH 8**, James 6, Clements 7, McGhie 6 (sub. Ferebee 6), Lorimer 7, Eccles 6, McDonald 6, Loggie 7.
Referee: A. Dobson (Blackburn)
Match Rating: ★★

NEWPORT COUNTY (0) 0
WALSALL (1) 1 (Paul 28)
Att: 7,452
Newport: Dowler 6, Walden 6, Relish 7, Bruton, D 6, Oakes 7, Bailey 6, Vaughan 6, Lowndes 7, Tynan 6, Aldridge 6 (sub. Bruton, M 6), ★**MOORE 8**.
Walsall: Green 7, Macken (sub. Rees 6), Mower 7, ★**SBRAGIA 9**, Williams 7, Paul 8, Penn 6, Waddington 7, McDonough 6, Buckley 7, Caswell 8.
Referee: J. Martin (Alton, Hants)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

PORTSMOUTH (4) 6 (Rogers 4, Hemmerman 18, 52, Aizlewood 25, Gregory 29, Laidlaw 64)
NORTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Bowen 21)
Att: 15,579
Portsmouth: Knight 5, McLaughlin 6, Viney 6, Brisleigh 6, Aizlewood 6, Ellis 7, Gregory 7, Laidlaw 8, Hemmerman 7, Bryant 7, ★**ROGERS 9**.
Northampton: Poole 6, Farrington 5, ★**SANDERCOCK 7**, Byatt 5, Gage 5, Williams 5 (sub. Sargent 6), Denyer 6, Sandy 5, McCaffrey 5, Bowen 6, Farmer 5.
Referee: B. T. Stevens (Stonehouse)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

PORT VALE (0) 0
ALDERSHOT (0) 2 (Needham 66, Crosby 76)
Att: 2,559
Port Vale: Dance 7, Keenan 7, Griffiths 7, Bentley 7, Delgado 7, Sproson 6, Beech 7, Farrell 7, ★**WRIGHT 8**, Bromage 6 (sub. Elsyb), Chamberlain 6.
Aldershot: Johnson 7, Edwards 7, Howitt 7, Dixon 7, Youlden 7, Wooler 7, Crosby 8, Brodie 7, French 6, Needham 7, McGregor 6 (sub. Green).
Referee: G. Owen (Anglesey)
Match Rating: ★★

SCUNTHORPE (0) 1 (Green 73)
HEREFORD (0) 0
Att: 1,764
Scunthorpe: Gordon 7, ★**DAVY 8**, Peacock 6, Dall 7, Deere 7, Oates 6, Green 6, Cammack 6, Pilling 6, Partridge 6, Stewart 7.
Hereford: Hughes 7, ★**PRICE 8**, Burrows 6, Marshall 7, Leyton 7, Feeley 7, Stephens 6, Spiring 6, McGrellis 6, Hunt 6, Winston 6.
Referee: J. E. Bray (Hinckley)
Match Rating: ★★

TORQUAY (0) 1 (Murphy, pen 46)
CREWE (0) 0
Att: 3,975
Torquay: Turner 6, Coffil 6, Ritchie 7, Wilson 6, ★**BOURNE 9**, Sermanni 7, Smith 6 (sub. Larmour 6), Lawrence 7, Cooper 7, Twitchin 6, Murphy 7.
Crewe: ★**GROBELLAAR 9**, Wilkinson 6 (sub. Lewis 6), Scott 6, Proffitt 8, Burns 6, Hunter 6, McMahon 6, Beavon 7, David 6, Nelson 6, Guy 7.
Referee: D. Lloyd (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

WIGAN (2) 3 (Wright 7, 45, Quinn 48)
STOCKPORT (0) 1 (Prudham 65)
Att: 6,847
Wigan: Brown 8, ★**FRETWELL 9**, Hinnigan 6, Gore 7, Methven 7, Davids 6, Corrigan 8, Wright 8, Moore 7 (sub. Brownhill), Quinn 7, Urquhart 6.
Stockport: Lawson 7, Rutter 7, Sherlock 6, ★**HENSON 8**, Bradd 7, Czuczman 7, Williams 7, Prudham 7, Sword 6, Chapman 6, Coyle 6.
Referee: J. Warner (Wednesbury)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

SCOTTISH

Premier Division

ABERDEEN v HIBERNIAN — Match Postponed

DUNDEE v ST MIRREN — Match Postponed

KILMARNOCK (0) 0
DUNDEE UNITED (0) 0
Att: 4,500

Kilmarnock: ★**McCULLOCH 7**, Welsh 6, McLean 6, Clark 6, Armstrong 6, McDicken 6, Houston 5 (sub. Hughes), Gibson 6, Bourke 5, Mauchlen 5, Street 6.
Dundee Utd: McAlpine 6, Stark 6, Kopel 6, Fleming 6, Hegarty 6, Narey 6, Bannon 6, Sturrock 5.
★**PETTIGREW 7**, Dodds 5, Kirkwood 6.
Referee: W. Anderson (East Kilbride)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

MORTON (0) 1 (Hutchison 78)
PARTICK THISTLE (2) 3 (MacAdam 18, Melrose 44, 54)
Att: 7,100
Morton: Baines 7, Hayes 6, Miller 6, Anderson, G 5, McLaughlin 7, Orr 7, McLaren 5, Hutchison 5, Russell 5 (sub. Scott 6), Tolmie 6, ★**RITCHIE 8**.
Partick: ★**ROUGH 9**, MacKinnon 7, Whittaker 7, Campbell 8, MacAdam 8, Anderson, A 6, Doyle 6, Melrose 8, O'Hara 6, Gibson 8, Park 7.
Referee: A. McGunnigle (Glasgow)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

RANGERS (0) 1 (Johnstone 73)
CELTIC (0) 1 (Lennox 74)
Att: 36,000
Rangers: McCloy 7, ★**JARDINE 8**, Dawson 7, Forsyth 7, Jackson 7, Stevens 6, McLean 7, Russell 6 (sub. Miller), Johnstone 7, MacDonald, A 6, MacDonald, J 6.
Celtic: Latchford 7, Sneddon 6, ★**McGRAIN 8**, Aitken 6, McDonald 6, McAdam 6, Provan 7, Sullivan 6, Doyle 6, MacLeod 6, Lennox 7.
Referee: B. H. Pringle (Edinburgh)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

Division One

AIRDRIE (0) 0
RAITH ROVERS (2) 3 (Ballantyne 25, 26, 88)
Att: 2,000
Clyde (0) 0
CLYDEBANK (0) 2 (Miller 49, 87)
Att: 950

DUMBARTON (1) 4 (McNeil 7, Blair 57, Sharp 75, Coyle 88)
HAMILTON (0) 0
Att: 2,000

DUNFERMLINE (1) 2 (McNaughton 7, Moyes, og 48)
BERWICK (0) 1 (Wheatley 89)
Att: 2,500

HEARTS v AYR — Match Postponed — Frost

MOTHERWELL (0) 0
ARBROATH (0) 0
Att: 3,221

ST JOHNSTONE v STIRLING — Match Postponed — Fog

Division Two

ALBION (1) 1 (Campbell 39)
MONTROSE (1) 1 (Murray 7)
Att: 308

ALLOA (0) 0
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (1) 1 (Alexander 28)
Att: 600

COWDENBEATH v STRANRAER — Match Postponed

EAST FIFE (0) 0
EAST STIRLING (0) 3 (McCraig 56, Lamont 73, Robertson 84)
Att: 798

FORFAR (4) 5 (Mitchell 11, 14, Rae, pen 76, Clark 45, Gallacher 64)
MEADOWBANK (0) 3 (Leetion 50, Johnson 52, 89)
Att: 460

QUEEN'S PARK (0) 2 (McLean 61, Gillespie, J 79)
FALKIRK (1) 2 (Brown 42, Whiteford 51)
Att: 877

STENHOUSEMUIR (2) 2 (Murray 33, Jenkins 44)
BRECHIN (0) 0
Att: 470
Match Abandoned after 74 minutes — Fog

Tuesday, Jan. 1, 1980

Division One

BRISTOL CITY (0) 2 (Gow 23, 70)
BRIGHTON (0) 2 (Clarke 54, Rodgers, og 74)
Att: 19,259
Bristol City: Shaw 7, Tainton 7, Whitehead 7, Gow 7, Rodgers 6, ★**MERRICK 8**, Pritchard 5, Fitzpatrick 6, Mabbutt 5 (sub. Ritchie), Mann 5, Garland 7.
Brighton: Moseley 7, Gregory 6, Williams 6, Horton 7, ★**FOSTER 8**, Stevens 7, Ryan 6, Ward 6, Clarke 7, Lawrenson 7, O'Sullivan 6.
Referee: L. M. Robinson (Sutton Coldfield)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

COVENTRY (2) 2 (Blair 12, Gillespie 35)
MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 0
Att: 17,096
Coventry: Sealey 7, Roberts 6, McDonald 7, Gooding 7, Holton 8, ★**GILLESPIE 9**, Nardiello 7, English 8, Ferguson 6, Blair 8, Hutchison 6.
Middlesbrough: Platt 7, Craggs 7, Johnson 6, Hedley 7, ★**ASHCROFT 8**, McAndrew 6, Woof 6 (sub. Rammidge 6), Proctor 6, Hodgson 6, Jankovic 5, Armstrong 7.
Referee: M. Scott (Nottingham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

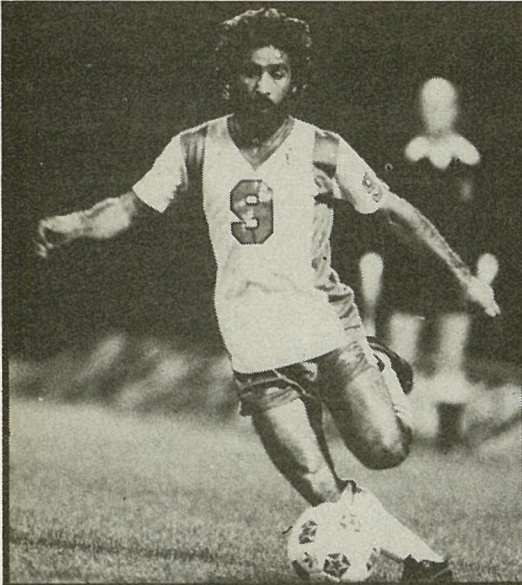
CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0
NORWICH (0) 0
Att: 30,254
Crystal Palace: Burridge 7, Hinshelwood 6, Fenwick 6, Nicholas 6, Cannon 6, Gilbert 6, Murphy 6 (sub. Kember), ★**FRANCIS 8**, Walsh 6, Flanagan 6, Hilaire 7.
Norwich: Keelan 7, Bond 6, Downs 6, Ryan 7, Brown 6, Powell 6, ★**TAYLOR 8** (sub. Nightingale), Mendham 6, Fashanu 6, Paddon 6, Peters 7.
Referee: D. Reeves (Uxbridge)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

EVERTON (1) 1 (Kidd 24)
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0
Att: 34,616
Everton: Hodge 7, Gidman 6, Bailey 7, Wright 6, Lyons 6, King 7, Hartford 7, Stanley 6, Latchford 4, Kidd 8, ★**MCBRIDE 9**.
Nottm Forest: Shilton 7, Anderson 7, Gray 6, McGovern 5, Lloyd 6, Burns 6, Francis 8, Bowles 7, ★**BIRTLES 9**, Bowyer 7, Robertson 7.
Referee: P. Willis (Co. Durham)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

IPSWICH (2) 4 (Mariner 7, Wark 9, Osman 59, Thijssen 67)
WBA (0) 0
Att: 22,477
Ipswich: Cooper 7, Burley 7, Mills 7, Thijssen 7, Osman 7, Butcher 7, Wark 6, Muhren 7, ★**MARINER 8**, Brazil 7, Gates 7.
WBA: Godden 6, ★**BATSON 7**, Pendrey 6, Trewick 6, Wile 6, Robertson 6, Robson 6 (sub. Regis), Brown, A 6, Deehan 6, Brown, T 6, Barnes 6.
Referee: M. Bidmead (Chessington)
Match Rating: ★★ ★

LEEDS (0) 1 (Hird 78)
DERBY (0) 0
Att: 24,271
Leeds: Lukic 7, Cherry 7, Stevenson 6, Hamson 6, Hart 6, Madeley 6, Gray 7, ★**HIRD 8**, Connor 7, Hankin 7, Harris 7.
Derby: McKellar 6, Langan 6.

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Tulsa Roughnecks leading scorer, Iranian international Iraj Danafard. Four goals in two games – but his side have yet to land a victory.

AFTER a disappointing North American Soccer League outdoor season **Atlanta Chiefs** have started the indoor programme in great high-scoring style.

They lead the Eastern Division following 6–5 and 5–4 defeats of **New England Tea Men** and **Tampa Bay Rowdies**. Neill Roberts scored a hat-trick against Rowdies, while Steve Reid cracked three for Tea Men.

Memphis lead the Western Division having beaten **California Surf** 6–3 and **Minnesota Kicks** 3–2 with an extra-time goal from ex-Everton and Luton striker Jimmy Husband.

Detroit Express suffered a setback beaten 9–6 by **Fort Lauderdale Strikers** then 11–7 by **Rowdies**, for whom Jan Van der Veen notched four.

Alan Willey ex-Middlesbrough, and Ron Futcher (ex-Man. City) each grabbed three as **Minnesota** tumbled **Los Angeles** 9–5, while Gary Etherington scored a consolation debut hat-trick.

After the first series of matches in the Eastern League Van der Veen (Tampa) and Roberts (Atlanta) have emerged as the leading scorers with six apiece. In the Western table Willey of Minnesota is ahead with six.

NASL INDOOR SOCCER STANDINGS

Eastern Division	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Atlanta	2	2	0	11	9	4
Tampa Bay	3	2	1	21	16	4
Fort Lauderdale	2	1	1	13	12	2
Detroit	3	1	2	20	25	2
New England	2	0	2	10	13	0
Western Division	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Memphis	2	2	0	9	5	4
California	3	2	1	22	15	4
Minnesota	3	2	1	18	14	4
Tulsa	2	0	2	14	20	0
Los Angeles	2	0	2	6	15	0



Laurie Cunningham was among the scorers in Real Madrid's 4–1 Spanish League win over Malaga.



LAURIE Cunningham scored one of Real Madrid's goals in the 4–1 Spanish League defeat of Malaga, which keeps them second in the table on goal difference behind Real Sociedad who were narrow 1–0 victors over Gijon. The other Madrid goals came from Stieleke, Los Santos and Juanito.

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GREEK Second Division players continued their strike for more money – many are earning just £100 a month and pay their own travelling expenses. Thirty clubs are affected in the division, but the Division One players voted to suspend strike action for a month, with Olympiakos of Piraeus retaining a one point lead at the top with a 1–0 defeat of Aris Salonika.

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BAYERN Munich surged to the top of the West German League at the half-way point of the season, coming from behind to draw 1–1 with Eintracht Braunschweig. The point put them ahead of SV Hamburg, for whom Kevin Keegan conceded a penalty, when he hauled down Schalke's Drexler. Better fortune for Tony Woodcock, however, he shone in Cologne's 3–1 away defeat of Bayern Uerdingen.

Results

Italy

First Division: Ascoli 1, Cagliari 0; Fiorentina 3, Avellino 0; AC Milan 0, Catanzaro 0; Napoli 0, Lazio 0; Perugia 1, Juventus 0; Roma 1, Inter Milan 0; Torino 2, Pescara 0; Udinese 0, Bologna 2.
Second Division: Atalanta 2, Lecce 1; Bari 0, Como 0; Brescia 1, Sampdoria 0; Cesena 2, Matera 1; Genoa 0, Vicenza 0; Palermo 0, Monza 3; Parma 1, Spal 0; Pistoiese 4, Sambenedettese 1; Taranto 0, Pisa 1; Verona 1, Ternana 0.
First Division standings (after 13 matches): Inter Milan 19; AC Milan 17; Torino, Cagliari 15; Perugia, Juventus 14; Lazio, Napoli, Bologna, Avellino, Roma 13.
Second Division standings (after 14 matches): Como 21; Vicenza 18; Atalanta 17; Palermo, Spal, Bari 16; Pistoiese, Brescia, Genoa 15.

Holland

AZ67 v NEC postponed; NAC v Sparta postponed; Roda 1, Willem II 2; Feyenoord 1, Twente 1; Utrecht 3, PEC 1; Haarlem 1, PSV 4; Vitesse 1, MVV 1; Go Ahead v Den Haag postponed; Ajax 6, Excelsior 0.
Top standings: Ajax 28; Feyenoord, AZ67 23; PSV 21; Utrecht 20; Go Ahead 18.

Hungary

First Division: Vasas 2, Pecs 1; Volan 2, Honved 1; MAV Előre 0, MTK-VM 0; Zalaegerszeg 3, Ferencváros 0; Dozsa 3, Debrecen 2; Tatabánya 2, Dunaujváros 0; Nekescsaba 1, Salgótarján 1; PECS MSC 7, Videton 1; Rába ETO 3, Diosgyőr 1.
Top Standings (after 16 matches): Honved 22; Vasas 21; Ferencváros, Zalaegerszeg 20; Videton 19.

Austria

First Division: Vienna 0, Grazer AK 2; Voest-Linz 0, Admira 0; Sturm-Graz 2, Sportklub 2; Salzburg 1, Lask 1; Austria v Rapid postponed.
Top standings: Austria Vienna, Lask, Grazer AK 23.

East Germany

First Division: Dynamo Dresden 1, Dynamo Berlin 2; FC LOK Leipzig 2, FC Jena 1; FC Karl-Marx-Stadt 1, Chemie Leipzig 1; Union Berlin 0, Vorwärts Frankfurt-Oder 1; Rot-Weiss Erfurt 4, Sachsenring Zwickau 0; Stahl Riesa 0, FC Magdeburg 0; Chemie Halle 2, Wismut AUE 1.
Leading standings (after 13 matches):

Dynamo Dresden 22; BFC Dynamo Berlin 20; HFC Chemie Halle 18; FC Jena, FC Magdeburg 16; FC LOK Leipzig 15; FC Vorwärts Frankfurt, Chemie Leipzig 13.

Portugal

First Division: Leiria 1, Estoril 1; Guimaraes 1, Belenenses 0; Beira Mar 0, Sporting 1; Porto 2, Varzim 1; Rio Ave 1, Boavista 2; Benfica 3, Braga 1; Marítimo v Portimonense postponed; Setúbal 3, Espinho 0.
Leading standings (after 13 matches): Porto 21; Benfica 20; Sporting 19 (12 matches); Belenenses 17; Guimaraes 16; Boavista 15 (12 matches); Espinho 12 (12 matches).

West Germany

First Division: Werder Bremen 2, Bochum 0; Bayer Leverkusen 0, Borussia Mönchengladbach 0; Eintracht Braunschweig 1, Bayern Munich 1; Stuttgart 5, Hertha Berlin 0; Fortuna Düsseldorf 1, Duisburg 0; Borussia Dortmund 6, FC Kaiserslautern 2; Munich 1860 2, Eintracht Frankfurt 1; Bayer Uerdingen 1, FC Cologne 3; Schalke 04 1, Hamburg SV 0.
Leading standings (after 17 matches): Bayern Munich 24; Hamburg SV 23; Borussia Dortmund, FC Cologne 22; Eintracht Frankfurt, Schalke 04 20; Stuttgart, Borussia Mönchengladbach 19.

Spain

Palmas 3, Almería 2; Valencia 2, Rayo Vallecano 1; Athletic Bilbao 2, Barcelona 1; Atlético Madrid 3, Zaragoza 0; Sevilla 2, Betis 1; Malaga 1, Real Madrid 4; Burgos 2, Salamanca 0; Gijon 0, Real Sociedad 1; Espanol 0, Hercules 0.
Top standings (after 13 matches): Real Sociedad, Real Madrid 21; Gijon 18; Valencia 15; Las Palmas 14; Salamanca, Sevilla 13; Zaragoza, Barcelona, Rayo Vallecano, Athletic Bilbao 12.

France

Strasbourg 1, Bastia 0; Bordeaux 3, Valenciennes 0; Brest 2, Laval 2; Nice 3, Angers 2; Nîmes 3, Lille 2; Lens 1, Lyon 1; Monaco 2, Nantes 1; Paris SG 3, Sochaux 1; Saint Etienne 3, Marseille 1; Metz 1, Nancy 0.
Top standings (after 21 matches): Monaco 33; Saint Etienne 30; Nantes 29; Sochaux 27; Paris SG, Strasbourg 24; Nîmes 23; Laval, Lens 22.

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"I GET homesick when I visit Canvey Island so I don't think there's any danger of me leaving." With that Terry Venables buried all speculation that he was about to depart to America and went back to his championship-building work at Crystal Palace.

There never was any danger that 'Venners' would bow to the lure of the Yankee million dollars of New York Cosmos. He has come too far in such a short time to leave it all behind now.

It was in September, 1974 that Venables entered Selhurst Park. After just 14 League games he was appointed coach under Malcolm Allison and later stepped into the manager's chair in June, 1976.

Since then his progress and that of the team have taken everybody by surprise. From being a 'nobody' in the management game four years ago he has risen to become the most sought-after boss in the business and an integral part of Ron Greenwood's international team.

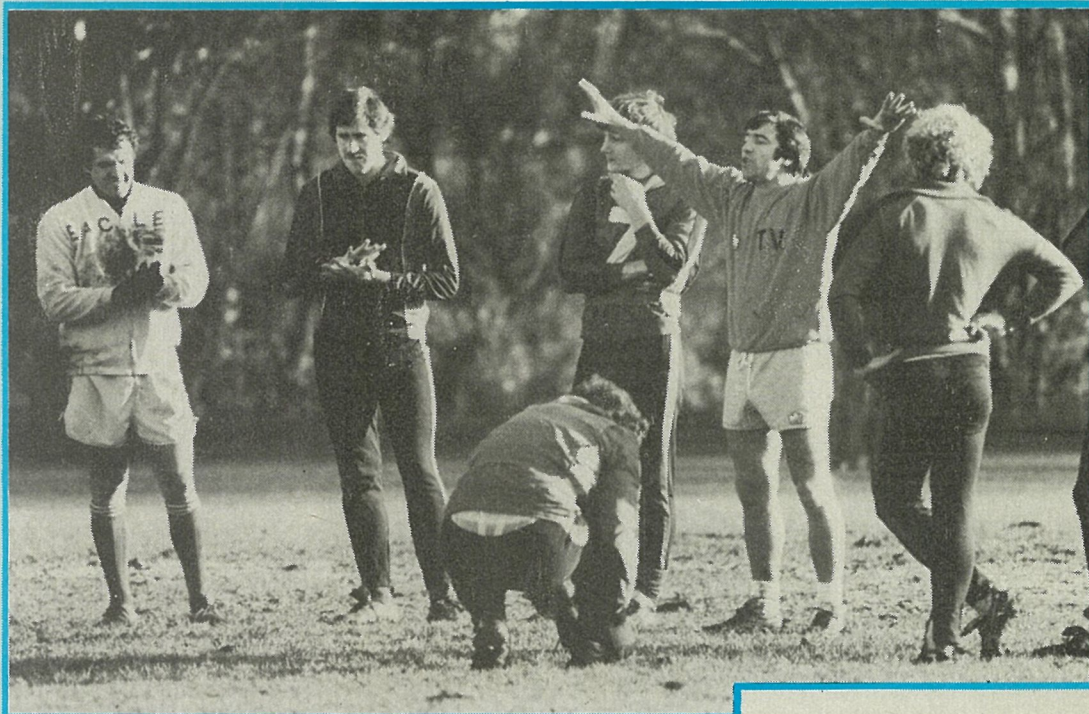
The team have matched his uncanny development and within four seasons have shed their Third Division clothing to don the smart attire of First Division pacesetters.

Their phenomenal start to the season — they were League leaders for a time — shocked many. But not Terry Venables.

"It's all down to the players really. The teamwork must be good within the framework of good organisation. Our understanding here is first-class," he told *MATCH WEEKLY*.

Although Venables was fairly satisfied with the team that took him to the First Division last season a look at the other clubs in the higher sphere persuaded him to spend.

"It was essential for us to have a more competitive squad.



Under the wings of boss Terry Venables . . . Palace players pictured at their training ground.

That's why I stepped in to buy Gerry Francis and Mike Flanagan in the summer.

"Those two were seen as a gamble because of Francis' injury problems and Flanagan's unhappy time with Charlton and New England Tea Men."

"But most signings are a gamble — it all comes down to backing your own judgement. These two players have done outstandingly well for us and are probably as good as any in their positions in the country."

Trying to have five minutes to talk to Terry Venables these days is as easy as getting quotes from Santa Claus on Christmas Eve.

Assistant manager Alan Harris has more time to talk about the kids he's grown up with who are now First Division stars.

He says: "It annoys me when people start talking about the tremendous spirit at Palace and the enormous potential here."

"The spirit isn't something that's happened overnight. We've been working on it for four years."

"And everybody talks about potential — but it's no good unless the potential is brought out."

"People tell me that the playing staff at Palace remind them of the Chelsea youngsters of the 60s."

"But they are even better than that. I've grown up with these lads right from youth team days and they're superb players."

"Mind you we've had to work on them. For instance, we have always made a point of playing players out of position so that they get an all-round knowledge of the game."

"Peter Nicholas' best position is probably sweeper while Kenny Sansom would make a brilliant left-sided attacking player."

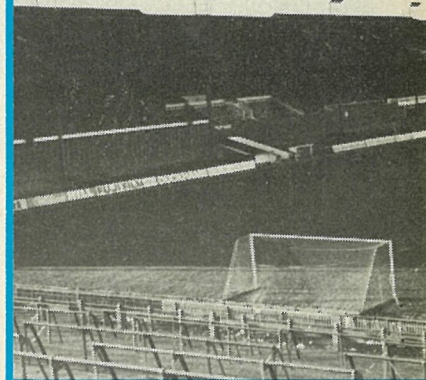
It was when Harris and Venables first made their mark in the Chelsea side that they started planning for their futures.

"We went on coaching and management courses and always had our own ideas on how the game should be played," Harris said.

"We grew up as kids, played in the same London schoolboys' team and followed each other to Chelsea."

"Our wives are also very close and if Terry had chosen to listen to New York Cosmos I would have gone with him — it's that sort of relationship."

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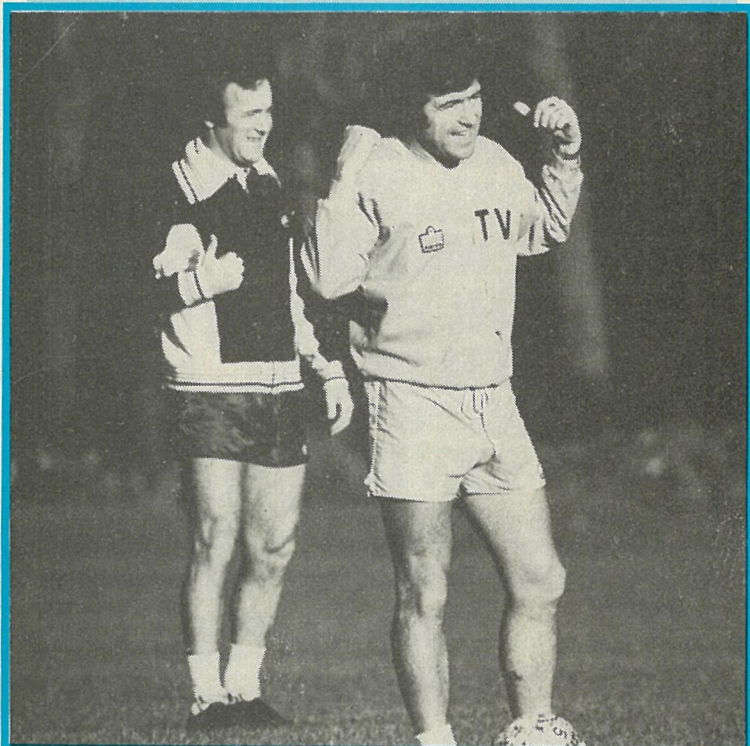
KENNY Sansom caused a sensation late last year when it was revealed he wanted to leave Palace. How could a player who looks a certain England left-back for the next decade ditch the team-mates he has grown up with.

Sansom explains it thus: "At the time I was going through a bad patch and thought a move to another club would help. But when I considered it seriously I realised I didn't really want to leave. Now I can feel my form returning and I'm quite happy."

Many people are tipping his

MIKE Flanagan was determined to find a club going places after his unhappy episodes with Charlton and New England Tea Men. Once Terry Venables expressed an interest there was never any doubt where his exceptional goal-scoring talents would end up.

"The thing that impressed me most about Palace was that they aimed their sights high," Flanagan told *MATCH WEEKLY*. "When I came to the club the



Palace boss Terry Venables with assistant manager Alan Harris. Harris says: "The spirit here isn't something that happened overnight. We've been working at it for four years."



1905 – The formation of Crystal Palace F.C. who started playing in the Southern League at the famous Crystal Palace Exhibition Ground.

1920–21 – Palace admitted to the newly-formed Third Division of the Football League which they win at the first attempt.

1958 – Palace slump into the Fourth Division as founder members of the new Division.

1960–61 – Arthur Rowe's first season as Palace chief and he immediately takes them into the Third Division. Three seasons later Dick Graham – former Palace 'keeper – leads them to the Second Division and after four seasons their dream of a place in the Premier Division was achieved under Bert Head.

1972–73 – After a struggle in the top flight Palace are relegated despite enormous expenditure and managerial and boardroom changes which brought Malcolm Allison to the club.

1973–74 – The nightmare

continues in the Second Division. It is the season when the League introduces three-up and three-down so Palace, finishing in 20th place, are relegated.

1975–76 – Palace reach the F.A. Cup semi-finals for the first time in their history with spectacular away victories at Leeds, Chelsea and Sunderland. They eventually go out to Southampton.

1976–77 – Under new management Terry Venables Palace return to the Second Division. They clinch promotion with two goals in the dying seconds of their last match of the season at Wrexham.

1977–78 – Palace win the F.A. Youth Cup, for the second year running.

1978–79 – Palace's Second Division Championship was achieved by Venable's squad of young players augmented by goalkeeper John Burridge from Aston Villa, striker Mike Elwiss from Preston and midfielder man and former Palace favourite Steve Kember.



ADDRESS: Selhurst Park, London, SE25 6PU. Tel: 01–653–338.

GROUND: Capacity 51,000. Pitch: 100yds x 75yds.

RECORD ATTENDANCE: 51,801 v Burnley, Second Division, May 11, 1979.

RECORD RECEIPTS: £51,650 v Burnley, Second Division, May 11, 1979.

LEAGUE RECORD: 1920 – original members of Third Division;

1921–25 – Second Division;

1925–58 Third Division 3(S);

1958–61 Fourth Division; 1961–64 Third Division; 1964–69 Second Division; 1969–73 First Division;

1973–74 Second Division; 1974–77

Third Division; 1977–79 Second Division; 1979 – First Division.

HONOURS: Second Division

champions – 1978–79; Second

Division runners-up – 1968–69;

Third Division runners-up –

1964–64; Third Division (S)

champions – 1920–21; Third

Division (S) runners-up – 1928–29,

1930–31, 1938–39. Fourth Division

runners-up – 1960–61.

RECORD VICTORY: 9–0 v Barrow,

Fourth Division, October 10, 1959.

RECORD DEFEAT: 11–4 v

Manchester City, F.A. Cup Fifth

Round, February 20, 1926.

MOST LEAGUE POINTS: 64, Fourth

Division, 1960–61.

MOST LEAGUE GOALS: 110,

Fourth Division, 1960–61.

MOST CAPPED PLAYER: Ian

Evans, 13 for Wales.

HIGHEST LEAGUE SCORER IN

SEASON: Peter Simpson, 46, Third

Division (S) 1930–31.

MOST LEAGUE GOALS IN

AGGREGATE: Peter Simpson, 154,

1930–31.

MOST LEAGUE APPEARANCES:

Terry Long, 432, 1956–69.

RECORD TRANSFER FEE

RECEIVED: £250,000 from

Manchester City for Steve

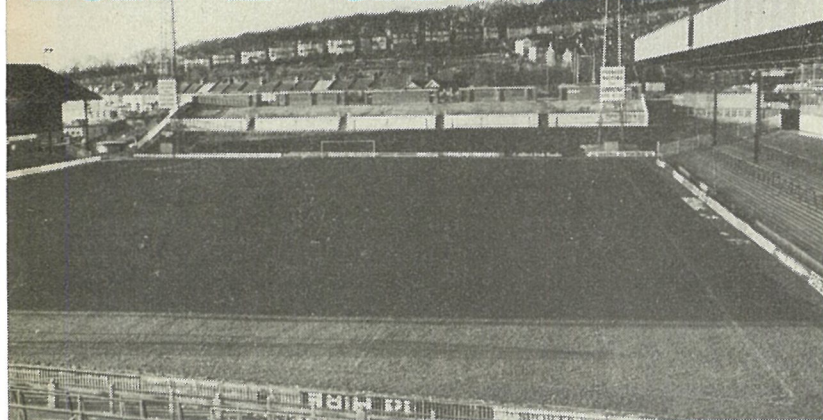
Mackenzie, August 18, 1979.

RECORD TRANSFER FEE PAID:

£650,000 to Charlton for Mike

Flanagan, August 1, 1979.

Spotlight on Crystal Palace



boss Terry Venables to replace Ron Greenwood when the England supremo decides to call it a day. Sansom is better qualified than any other member of the England squad to cast an opinion.

"If anybody can do as well as Ron Greenwood then Terry's the man," Sansom said. "He's a great fellow, personally as well as when it comes to football. His knowledge of the game is immense. I go on England trips but everything I'm told there I've already learned at Palace."

players were not talking about staying up – they wanted to win the League.

"On a personal level I could not have been more pleased with how things have gone. The only disappointment was having to miss a few games because of a hamstring injury just when I was really settling in.

"It's funny but the troubles I had last season seemed to go on and on but since I joined Palace they seem years away.

PALACE 'keeper John Burridge is the most serious player in the game. Yes, underneath that jovial exterior lies a most dedicated professional.

A joke before training – a giggle afterwards, but once the hard graft starts Burridge gives 100 per cent – and tries to instil the same attitude in his team-mates.

"I don't know any other way," Burridge says. "I don't drink or smoke and pride myself on absolute dedication."

Burridge has a special relationship with the fans who lap up his pre-match training routine.

"There are thousands of the fans out there but I look on it as going out to meet a friend.

Palace's last line of defence is full of praise for his team-mates and manager. "I'm not at all surprised by our success this season. These are good players here – not just good players but top notches.

"It's like a family and every family needs a father. Ours is Terry Venables, who together with his coaching staff, is the most honest and fair man in football.

How to get there . . .

THE GROUND is served by three railway stations – Selhurst (five minutes' walk), Norwood Junction (seven minutes) and Thornton Heath (ten minutes). Buses 68, 75, 154, 157 and 12 run to Norwood Junction.

Car drivers from the North should use motorway M1 or A1 and then A406 North Circular Road to Chiswick. Follow signs South Circular Road A205 to Wandsworth. Then use A3 to A214 and follow signs to Streatham. Join A23 and in 1m turn left into B273. At the end of the road turn left into High Street and then forward into Whitehouse Lane for Crystal Palace F.C.

From the East use A232 (signposted Croydon) to Shirley and then join A215 (signposted Norwood). In 2.2 miles turn left into B266 into Whitehouse Lane.

From the South use A23 (signposted London) and then follow signs Crystal Palace B266 via Thornton Heath into Whitehouse Lane.

From the West use motorway M4 to Chiswick and then route from the North or A232 (signposted Croydon) to Beddington, then follow signs London A23. Follow signs Crystal Palace B266 via Thornton Heath into Whitehouse Lane.

Road routes courtesy of The Supporter, a guide to all English League grounds, available at 50p from 76 London Road, Salisbury, Wilts.



● Palace's exuberant 'keeper John Burridge.

Whizz kid Carter

**FLEET-FOOT STEVE IS KEY
TO DERBY REVIVAL**

STEVE Carter a tricky flank player of the old school, has no doubts about the future of Derby County, the team he joined from Notts. County last season.

Fleet of foot, this quietly spoken young man from Suffolk, reveals that he and the other Derby players were not looking forward to this season at all. "We had no enthusiasm for the game after the experiences of last season," he recalls.

That was before the arrival at the Baseball Ground of the new management team of Colin Addison and his assistant John Newman. Now things are different, the place is buzzing with an air of expectancy — a belief that Derby are back on the road to better times.

A change of management always brings about a certain amount of interest. New faces and ideas freshen up attitudes, breathe new life into wilted soles and as Steve

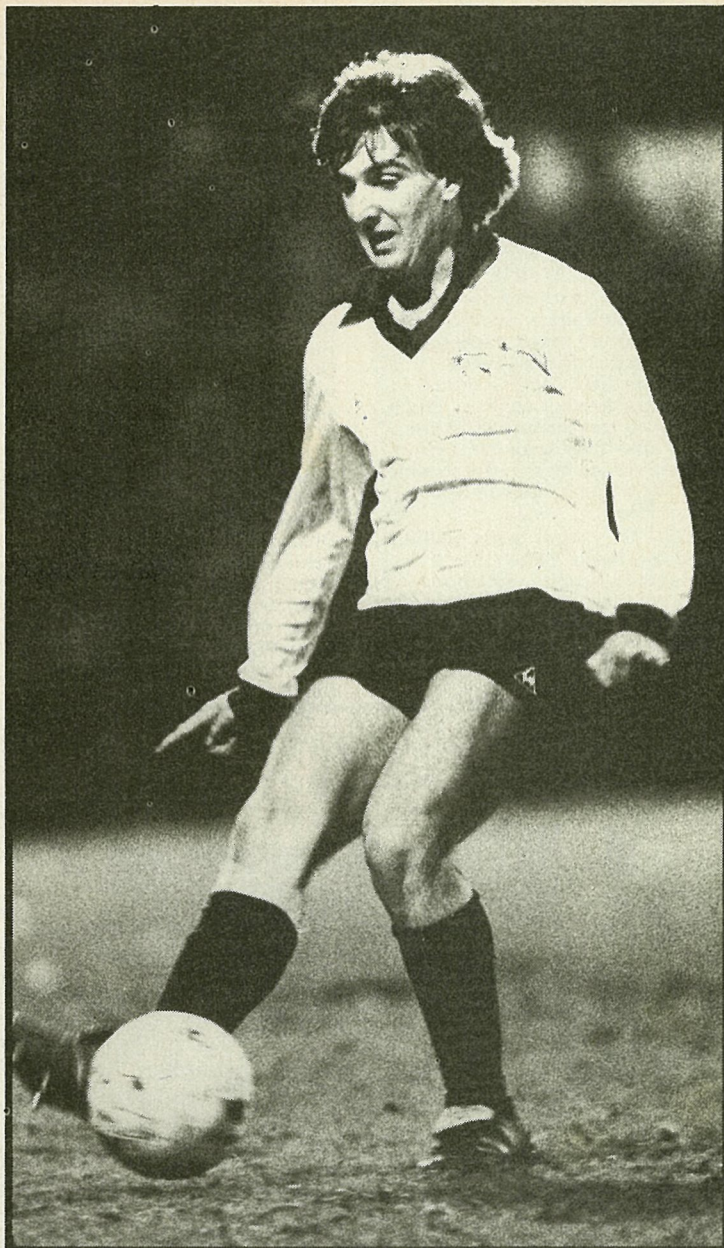
this tends to rub off on the players.

"Inside he might feel as drained as anybody, whether he does it just for the player's sake, I do not know, but he always comes across as a man full of go."

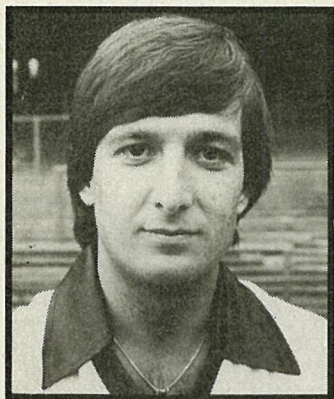
There is nothing sensational just a few words of encouragement, a boost to the ego. Carter divulges the sort of briefing he receives before taking the field.

"The boss tells us what he wants every individual to do. 'I want you to take people on when you get the ball, get in behind them.' That is the sort of instruction I receive, he does not say too much, it is just the way that he says it."

For Steve Carter and the other 'Rams' alike, this is a time of assessment, a period in which they have to prove their worth. "I have been quite pleased with my performances although I can play a lot better than I am — but I feel my game is coming together more now," reports the man whose strength is, 'attacking full-backs and getting crosses over for John Duncan and Roger Davies'.



Derby's Steve Carter believes the club are back on the road to better times.



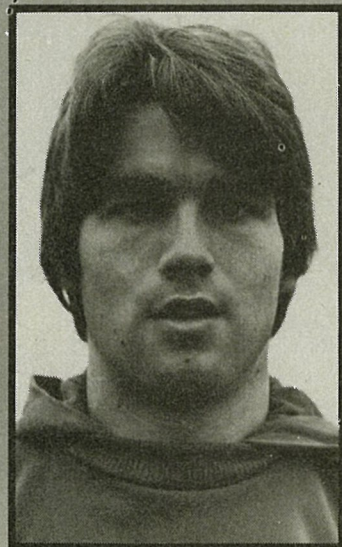
Steve Carter, Derby's tricky winger.

Carter explains: "The players are now getting their enthusiasm back, we have more confidence in ourselves."

But it is more than just the appearance of new faces that has impressed the playing staff. Steve Carter takes up his story: "Both of them, Colin and John, have set about the job very well, they have shown themselves as capable organisers and their enthusiasm is just contagious."

"They are good motivators, especially the boss, who is such a bubbly character always so full of life in everything he tackles, and

MAC' SETS BEES BUZZING



Brentford's 'SuperMac' Jim McNichol — a 'steal' at £30,000 from Luton Town.

IT'S NOT too exaggerated to say that Third Division Brentford's recent re-emergence coincided visibly with the signing of Jim McNichol a year ago.

The club's record signing at £30,000, McNichol is a Scotland Under-21 International and the backbone of the Bees defence.

He has added steel to the back four and at that knockdown price was indeed a steal from Second Division pacesetters Luton Town.

Glasgow-born McNichol is now being widely tipped to be Brentford's first full international since the Irishman Seamus D'Arcy in 1953 — when Brentford were last in Division Two.

McNichol starred recently in the young Scotland side against the Belgian Under-21s, though at 23 he was an over age inclusion.

He captained the Brentford side in the absence of Jackie

Graham, who has had an unfortunate run of injuries this season, and in just over 50 games for the club, McNichol has shown stirring leadership qualities.

McNichol has scored seven times this season with his fearsome shooting from long range. Brentford's 'SuperMac' really sets the Bees crowd buzzing when the team is awarded a free-kick anywhere within 35 yards of goal.

Jim was voted 'Player of the Year' last season by the Brentford fans and he says his move to Griffin Park was 'the best thing I ever did'. "I wasn't really getting anywhere at Luton and I didn't mind moving to a Third Division club, so long as I would get first-team football."

"I've never once regretted moving here and I don't see why we shouldn't go up this year if the results keep falling for us."



Match Facts..... Match Facts..... Match Facts.....

Buckley 7, ★**DALY 8**, Webb 6 (sub. Powell, T 7), Osgood 7, Clark 6, Powell, B 6, Greenwood 7, Davies 7, Emson 6.
Referee: K. McNally (South Wirral)
Match Rating: ★★

SOUTHAMPTON (0) 0
ARSENAL (1) 1 (Young 40)
 Att: 22,473
Southampton: Wells 7, Golac 6, Baker 6, Williams 7, ★**WATSON 8**, Nicholl 7, Ball 6, Boyer 6, Channon 6, Holmes 5, Hebbard 6.
Arsenal: Jennings 7, Rice 6, Devine 6, Talbot 6, Walford 7, ★**YOUNG 8**, Gitting 6, Sunderland 6, Stapleton 6, Hollins 5, Rix 6.
Referee: C Thomas (Porthcawl)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Two

BIRMINGHAM (2) 2 (Ainscow 27, Gemmill 36)
QPR (1) 1 (Allen 35)
 Att: 25,963
Birmingham: Freeman 7, Broadhurst 7, Dennis 7, Curbishley 7, Gallagher 8, Todd 7, Ainscow 7, Worthington 7, Bertschin 7, ★**GEMMILL 9**, Johnston 7.
QPR: ★**WOODS 8**, Shanks 7, Wallace 6, McCreery 6, Wicks 6, Busby 7, Walsh 6, Currie 6 (sub. Burke 6), Allen 7, Waddock 6, Hill 7.
Referee: G. Owen (Anglesey)
Match Rating: ★★

LEICESTER (0) 3 (Smith 53, 60, Goodwin 55)
BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 0
 Att: 21,579
Leicester: Wallington 6, Williams 7, Rofe 6, Goodwin 6, May 6, O'Neill 6, Byrne 6, Henderson 6, Young 7, Kelly 7, ★**SMITH 8**.
Bristol Rovers: Thomas 7, ★**BATER 8**, Williams 6, Mabbutt 6, Harding 7, Aitken 6, Barrowclough 6, Emmanuel 7, Penny 5, Dennehy 6 (sub. Jones 6), Pulis 6.
Referee: R. A. Banks (Manchester)
Match Rating: ★★

LUTON (2) 3 (Donaghy 35, Saxby 44, Moss 75)
CHELSEA (1) 3 (Fillery 8, Britton 47, Walker 76)
 Att: 19,717
Luton: Findlay 7, Stephens 8, Donaghy 8, Aislewood 6, Saxby 7, Price 8, ★**HILL 9**, West 7, Stein 7, Hatton 7, Moss 8.
Chelsea: Borota 7, Locke 6, Sparrow 8, Bumstead 8, Pates 7, Chivers 7, Britton 8, Fillery 7, Langley 7, ★**WALKER 9**, Harris 8.
Referee: D. Letts (Basingstoke)
Match Rating: ★★

NEWCASTLE (1) 3 (Cartwright 38, Cassidy 56, Shoulder, pen 59)
SUNDERLAND (1) 1 (Cummins 25)
 Att: 38,322
Newcastle: Hardwick 7, Brownlie 7, Davies 7, ★**CASSIDY 9**, Barton 8, Boam 7, Shoulder 7, Cartwright 8, Withe 7, Rafferty 6, Hibbitt 8.
Sunderland: Turner 7, Whitworth 6, Bolton 6, Clarke 7, Elliott 7, ★**BUCKLEY 8**, Arnott 7, Marangoni 6, Hawley 6, Robson 6 (sub. Rowell 6), Cummins 7.
Referee: D. Richardson (Gt. Harwood)
Match Rating: ★★

NOTTS COUNTY (0) 0
CAMBRIDGE (0) 0
 Att: 7,722
Notts County: Avramovic 6, Benjamin 6, O'Brien 5, Hunt 6, Stubbs 5, Blockley 5, McCulloch 5, Masson 5, Christie, T 5, ★**BEAVON 7**, Mair 6.
Cambridge: Webster 6, Stringer 6, ★**SMITH 7**, Calderwood 5, Fallon 6, O'Neill 5, Biley 4, Spriggs 6, Reilly 5, Gibbins 5 (sub. Christie, D 5), Murray 4.
Referee: N. J. Ashley (Nantwich)
Match Rating: ★★

ORIENT (0) 0
WEST HAM (3) 4 (Pearson 12, 35, Devonshire 24, Pike 54)

Att: 23,885
Orient: Day 5, Fisher 6, Smith 5 (sub. Godfrey 6), Taylor 6, Gray 6, Moores 6, Chiedoie 6, ★**HUGHTON 7**, Mayo 6, Jennings 6, Coates 6.
West Ham: Parkes 7, Stewart 8, Lampard 6, Bonds 7, Martin 7, ★**DEVONSHIRE 9**, Allen 7, Pearson 8, Pike 8, Brooking 7, Neighbour 7.
Referee: C. Downey (Middlesex)
Match Rating: ★★

SHREWSBURY (1) 2 (King 12, Maguire 62)
BURNLEY (0) 0
 Att: 10,504
Shrewsbury: Wardle 6, King 7, Larkin 6, Turner 7, Griffin 7, Keay 7, Tong 7, Atkins 7, Biggins 7, ★**DUNGWORTH 8**, Maguire 7.
Burnley: Stevenson 6, Scott 6, Brennan 6, Burke 6, Overson 7, Rodaway 7, Cavener 6, ★**DOBSON 8**, Hamilton 7, Young 6, Smith 6.
Referee: J. M. Warner (Wednesbury)
Match Rating: ★★

SWANSEA (1) 2 (Toshack 27, Giles 90)
CARDIFF (1) 1 (Lewis 37)
 Att: 21,400
Swansea: Letheren 8, Phillips 6, Rushbury 7, Charles 7, Stevenson 7, ★**GILES 9**, Craig 6, James 6, Waddle 6, Toshack 8, Callaghan 7.
Cardiff: Grotier 6, Dwyer 6, Sullivan 7, Campbell 7, Pontin 6, Thomas 6, Lewis 7, ★**BISHOP 8**, Moore 7, Ronson 6, Buchanan 6.
Referee: B. T. Stevens (Stonehouse)
Match Rating: ★★

WREXHAM (2) 2 (McNeil 6, Carrodus 16)
PRESTON (0) 0
 Att: 13,738
Wrexham: Davies 7, Hill 7, Kenworthy 6, Davis 7, Jones 7, Fox 7, Vinter 6, Sutton 6, ★**EDWARDS 8**, McNeil 7, Carrodus 6.
Preston: ★**TUNKS 8**, Taylor 6, McAteer 6, Doyle 6, Baxter 6, O'Riordan 7, Bell 6, Haslegrave 6, Elliott 7, McGee 6 (sub. Norton 6), Coleman 6.
Referee: J. Gray (Hinckley)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Three

EXETER (1) 2 (Hatch 3, Rodgers 48)
PLYMOUTH (0) 2 (Randell 60, 68)
 Att: 10,489
Exeter: Main 7, Mitchell 7 (sub. Roberts, L), ★**HATCH 9**, Hore 8, Roberts, P 7, Neville 7, Giles 8, Rogers 8, Delve 8, Pullar 8, Bowker 7.
Plymouth: Crudgington 5, James 6, Harrison 5, ★**RANDELL 9**, Foster 8, Phillipson-Masters 6, Hodges 8, Sims 7, Cooper 8, Bason 7, Graves 6 (sub. Cook 8).
Referee: T. D. Spencer (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

SHEFFIELD UNITED (1) 2 (Butlin 12, Tibbott 78)
BLACKBURN (0) 1 (McKenzie, pen 73)
 20,620
Sheff. Utd: ★**RICHARDSON 9**, Moore 7, Tibbott 8, Kenworthy 7, McPhail 7, Matthews 7, De Goey 6, Flood 6, Butlin 7 (sub. Speight 7), Garner, P 7, Sabella 8.
Blackburn: Arnold 7, Branagan 6, Parkes 7, ★**KENDALL 9**, Round 7, Fazackerley 6, Brotherton 7, Crawford 6, Garner, S 7, McKenzie 7, Metcalfe 7 (sub. Rathbone).
Referee: D. W. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

BOURNEMOUTH (1) 1 (MacDougall 30)
TORQUAY (1) 2 (Cooper 5, Ferns, og 65)
 Att: 5,190
Bournemouth: Allen 6, Cunningham 6, Ferns 6, Impey 7, ★**TOWNSEND 8**, Chambers 6 (sub. Massey), Holder 7, MacDougall 6, Butler 7, Evanson 6, Miller 7.
Torquay: Turner 7, Twitchin 7,

Ritchie 7, Pethard 7, Bourne 7, ★**SERMANNI 8**, Coffill 7, Wilson 7, Cooper 7, Davies 7, Murphy 7.
Referee: J. Martin (Alton)
Match Rating: ★★

BRADFORD CITY (0) 1 (Baines 49)
ROCHDALE (2) 2 (Esser 6, Seal 8)
 Att: 5,433
Bradford: Smith 6, Podd 6, Watson, G 6, Robertson 5, Baines 7, Cooper 6, Bates 6, ★**DOLAN 8**, Staniforth 7, McNiven 5, Hutchins 6.
Rochdale: ★**WATSON, I 8**, Scaife 6, Snookes 6, Taylor 7, Waldron 7, Bannon 6 (sub. Weir 6), Esser 6, Wann 5, Seal 6, O'Laughlin 6, Hilditch 5.
Referee: K. Redfern (Whitley Bay)
Match Rating: ★★

HUDDERSFIELD (1) 2 (Hanvey 21, Robins 49)
DARLINGTON (0) 1 (Stalker 59)
 Att: 9,898
Huddersfield: Rankin 7, Brown 7, Robinson 7, Stanton 7, Sutton 6, Hanvey 7, Laverick 6, Hart 7, ★**KINDON 8**, Robins 7, Cowling 6.
Darlington: Owers 7, Nattress 7, Cochran 6, Ball 6, Craig 6, Smith 6, McLean 7 (sub. Hamilton 6), Charlton 6, ★**STALKER 8**, Taylor 6, Walsh 7.
Referee: G. Flint (Kirkby-in-Ashfield)
Match Rating: ★★

NEWPORT (1) 1 (Vaughan, pen 16)
HEREFORD (0) 0
 Att: 7,213
Newport: Plumley 6, Walden 7, Relish 7, Bruton 7, Oakes 7, Bailey 6, Vaughan 7, Lowndes 7, Tynan 6, Aldridge 6, ★**MOORE 8**.
Hereford: Hughes 7, Price 7, Burrows 6, Marshall 6, Layton 7, Feeley 6, Stephens 6, Spiring 6, McGrellis 6, Jones 6, ★**WHITE 8**.
Referee: D. Hedges (Oxford)
Match Rating: ★★

PORTSMOUTH (0) 1 (Rodgers 89)
ALDERSHOT (2) 3 (Needham 25, 87, French 9)
 Att: 23,462
Portsmouth: Knight 5, McLaughlin 6, Styles 6, Brisley 5 (sub. Perrin 5), Ellis 5, Viney 5, Gregory 5, ★**LAIDLAW 7**, Hemmerman 6, Bryant 6, Rogers 5.
Aldershot: Johnson 6, Edwards 7, Howitt 7, Dixon 6, Youlden 7, Wooler 7, Crosby 7, ★**BRODIE 8**, French 6, Needham 7, McGregor 6.
Referee: E. Read (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH

Premier Division

ST MIRREN (1) 2 (Somner 5, 87)
MORTON (1) 2 (Hutchison 12, Ritchie, pen 53)
 Att: 9,500
St. Mirren: Thomson 7, Young 6, Munro 7 (sub. Beckett 5), Richardson 7, Fulton 7, Copland 6, Bone 8, Stark 7, ★**SOMNER 9**, McDougall 6, Weir 7.
Morton: ★**BAINES 9**, Hayes 7, Holmes 6, Anderson 5, McLaughlin 6, Orr 7, McLaren 6, Craig 6, Hutchison 7, Tolmie 6 (sub. Scott 5), Ritchie 6.
Referee: D. S. Syme (Rutherglen)
Match Rating: ★★

Wednesday, Jan. 2

SCOTTISH

Division One

RAITH ROVERS (1) 1 (Ballantyne 37)
DUNFERMLINE (0) 0
 Att: 1,200
Arbroath (0) 1 (Stark 74)
St Johnstone (0) 2 (McNichol 76, Lawson 78)
 Att: 1,100

Division Two

EAST STIRLING (2) 2 (McCraig 18, Robertson 38)
FALKIRK (0) 1 (Johnston, pen 77)
 Att: 2,700

ALBION ROVERS (1) 2 (Houston 24, Franchetti 68)
QUEEN'S PARK (0) 2 (Wood 54, Gillespie 73)
 Att: 400

STRANRAER (1) 1 (Gibb 31)
QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (0) 1 (Robertson 63)
 Att: 900

MONTROSE (2) 3 (Oliver 5, 47, Johnston 16)
MEADOWBANK (0) 3 (Jobson 53, 68, McKenna 79)
 Att: 650

EAST FIFE (2) 2 (Scott 30, Lumsden 35)
COWDENBEATH (1) 1 (Harley 36)
 Att: 1,040

Friday, Jan. 4

FA CUP

Third Round

BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 1 (Barrowclough 67)
ASTON VILLA (1) 2 (Shaw 40, Cowans 72)
 Att: 16,060
Bristol Rovers: Thomas 6, Jones 6, ★**COOPER 8**, Mabbutt 7, Taylor 6, Williams 5, Barrowclough 6, Prince 5, Penny 6, Dennehy 5, Pulis 6.
Aston Villa: Rimmer 7, Swain 6, Gibson 7, ★**EVANS 8**, McNaught 7, Mortimer 7, Bremner 6, Little 7, Donovan 6, Cowans 7, Shaw 7.
Referee: B. Daniels (Essex)
Match Rating: ★★

Saturday, Jan. 5

FA CUP

Second Round

NORTHWICH VICTORIA (0) 2 (Smith, pen 74, Mayman 87)
WIGAN (2) 2 (Hinnigan 18, Gore 31)
 Att: 5,249
Northwich: Ryan 8, Ritchie 7, ★**MAYMAN 9**, Collier 7, Forshaw 7, Nieman 7, O'Neill 6 (sub. Braithwaite 7), Jones 8, Smith 8, Bailey 7, Hall 6.
Wigan: Brown 7, Fretwell 7, ★**HINNIGAN 9**, Gore 8, Methven 8, Davids 7, Corrigan 7, Wright 8, Houghton 8, Quinn 7, Urquhart 8.
Referee: T. Morris (Leeds)
Match Rating: ★★

Second Round, Second Replay

WIMBLEDON (0) 0
PORTSMOUTH (1) 1 (Hemmerman 12)
 Att: 7,484
Wimbledon: Goddard 7, Briley 6, Jones 6, ★**GALLIERS 8**, Bowgett 6, Cunningham 5, Perkins 6, Parsons 6, Denny 6, Cork 7, Lewington 5 (sub. Leslie 5).
Portsmouth: Mellor 7, McLaughlin 6, Viney 6, Brisley 6, Perrin 6, Ellis 6, Gregory 6, Laidlaw 6, ★**HEMMERMAN 8**, Bryant 6, Rogers 7.
Referee: B. Hill (Wellingborough)
Match Rating: ★★

Third Round

ALTRINCHAM (1) 1 (Whitbread 27)
ORIENT (0) 1 (Jennings 78)
 Att: 9,000
Altrincham: Stepney 8, Allan 7, Davidson 8, Bailey 7, Owens 7, King 7, Barrow 7, ★**WHITBREAD 9**, Johnson 8, Roger 8, Howard 8.



Orient: Day 7, Fisher 7, Roffey 7, Taylor 8, Gray 7, Moores 7, ★**GODFREY 9**, Hughton 7, Mayo 8, Jennings 8, Coates 6.
Referee: M. Baker (Wolverhampton)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Johnson (Altrincham)

BIRMINGHAM (1) 2 (Bertschin 8, Gallagher 74)
SOUTHAMPTON (1) 1 (Channon, pen 37)
Att: 24,648
Birmingham: Freeman 6, Broadhurst 6, Dennis 8, ★**CURBISHLEY 9**, Gallagher 7, Todd 8, Ainscow 7, Worthington 8, Bertschin 8, Gemmill 6, Johnston 6 (sub. Lynex 7).
Southampton: Wells 7, Golac 6, Waldron 6, Williams 7, Watson 7, Nicholl 7, Ball 6, Boyer 7, Channon 6, ★**HOLMES 8**, Hebbard 6.
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ★★

BLACKBURN v FULHAM — Match Postponed

BRISTOL CITY (3) 6 (Garland 5, 85, Pritchard 12, 62, Whitehead 39, Mann 88)
DERBY (0) 2 (Davies 84, Daly 87)
Att: 13,384
Bristol City: Shaw 7, Tainton 6, Whitehead 7, Gow 7, Rodgers 7, Merrick 7, ★**PRITCHARD 9**, Fitzpatrick 7, Ritchie 6, Mann 6, Garland 8.
Derby: McKellar 6, Emery 6, Buckley 5, Daly 6, Powell, S 6, Osgood 6, Clark 5 (sub. Emson 6), ★**POWELL, B 7**, Greenwood 6, Davies 6, Moreland 6.
Referee: D. Civil (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

BURNLEY (0) 1 (Dobson, pen 76)
STOKE (0) 0
Att: 13,478
Burnley: ★**STEVENSON 8**, Scott 6, Dixon 7, Burke 6, Overson 7, Rodaway 5, Cavener 7, Dobson 7, Hamilton 7, Young 6, Smith, M 6.
Stoke: Fox 6, Evans 6, Irvine 6, Dodd 6, Smith, D 6, Doyle 7, ★**HEATH 8**, Richardson 6, O'Callaghan 7, Crooks 5, Randall 5.
Referee: K. McNally (Cheshire)
Match Rating: ★★
Sendings Off: D. Smith, Evans (Stoke)

CARDIFF (0) 0
ARSENAL (0) 0
Att: 21,972
Cardiff: Healey 7, Dwyer 6, Sullivan 5, Campbell 6, Pontin 7, ★**THOMAS 8**, Lewis 6, Bishop 6 (sub. Stevens), Moore 6, Ronson 7, Buchanan 6.
Arsenal: Jennings 7, Rice 7, ★**DEVINE 8**, Talbot 5, Walford 6, Young 6, Gating 5, Sunderland 6, Stapleton 7, Hollins 7, Rix 7.
Referee: J. Worrall (Warrington)
Match Rating: ★★

CARLISLE (1) 3 (Bonnyman, pen 43, Hoolickin 82, Ludlam 88)
BRADFORD CITY (1) 2 (Baines 40, Dolan, pen 58)
Att: 6,480
Carlisle: Swinburne 7, Hoolickin 7, Parker 6, MacDonald 6, Winstanley 6, ★**LUDLAM 8**, Bonnyman 6, Hamilton 6, McVitie 7, Beardsley 6, Staniforth, G 6 (sub. Bannion 6).
Bradford City: ★**SMITH 8**, Podd 7, Watson 6, Wood 6, Baines 7, Cooper 6, Robertson 5, Dolan 7, Staniforth, D 5, McNiven 7, Martinez 6.
Referee: T. Farley (Newton Aycliffe)
Match Rating: ★★

CHESHAM (0) 0
CAMBRIDGE (1) 2 (Gibbins 32, Reilly 78)
Att: 5,000
Chesham: Barber 7, Griffiths 7, Smith, T 7, Horrostead 6, Dodd 8, Johnson, P 7, Jackett 8, Watt 8, ★**MARTELL 9**, Johnson, D 7 (sub. Maguire 7), Woolfrey 8.
Cambridge: Webster 6, Stringer 7, Smith, L 8, Turner 7, Fallon 6, O'Neill 8, Biley 8, ★**SPRIGGS 9**, Reilly 8, Gibbins 7, Murray 7.
Referee: B. Stevens (Stonehouse)
Match Rating: ★★

EVERTON (2) 4 (Latchford 6, Hartford 22, King 60, Kidd 75)
ALDERSHOT (1) 1 (McGregor 27)
Att: 23,700
Everton: Hodge 6, Gidman 5, Bailey 6, Wright 5, Lyons 5, King 7, ★**HARTFORD 8**, Stanley 5, Latchford 6, Kidd 5, McBride 7.
Aldershot: Johnson 7, Edwards 5, Howitt 5, Dixon 6, Youlden 5, ★**WOOLER 8**, Crosby 5, Brodie 6, French 6 (sub. Green 5), Needham 5, McGregor 6.
Referee: F. G. Bates (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

HALIFAX (0) 1 (Hendrie 75)
MANCHESTER CITY (0) 0
Att: 12,599
Halifax: ★**KILNER 9**, Dunleavy 7, Hutt 7, Evans 8, Harris 7, Hendrie 8, Firth 6, Kennedy 7, Mountford 6, Smith 6, Stafford 6.
Manchester City: Corrigan 7, Ranson 6, ★**POWER 8**, Reid 7, Caton 7, Bennett 7, Henry 6, Daley 6, Robinson 6, Viljoen 7, Shinton 6.
Referee: M. Lowe (Sheffield)
Match Rating: ★★

LEEDS (0) 1 (Lloyd, og 61)
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (2) 4 (Gray, F 1, Birtles 44, Bowyer 57, Robertson 73)
Att: 35,945
Leeds: Lukic 6, Cherry 6, Stevenson 5, Hamson 5, ★**HART 7**, Madeley 6, Gray, E 6, Hird 6, Connor 5, Curtis 5 (sub. Entwistle 6), Harris 5.
Nottingham Forest: Shilton 7, Anderson 7, Gray, F 7, McGovern 7, Lloyd 6, Burns 6, ★**FRANCIS 8**, Bowles 7, Birtles 7, Bowyer 7, Robertson 7.
Referee: C. Thomas (Porthcawl)
Match Rating: ★★

LEICESTER (1) 1 (Henderson 26)
HARLOW (0) 1 (Prosser 89)
Att: 21,302
Leicester: Wallington 6, Williams 7, Rofe 7, Goodwin 7, May 7, O'Neill 6, Byrne 7, ★**HENDERSON 8**, Young 7, Kelly 7, Smith 7.
Harlow: Kitson 7, Wickenden 7, Flack 7, Gough 7, Clarke 7, Adams 6 (sub. Austen 6), MacKenzie 6, Mann 6, Prosser 7, ★**TWIGG 8**, Griffiths 6.
Referee: A. Robinson (Waterlooville)
Match Rating: ★★

LIVERPOOL (2) 5 (Souness 19, Johnson 43, 65, 74, Case 87)
GRIMSBY (0) 0
Att: 49,706
Liverpool: Clemence 7, Neal 7, Kennedy, A 7, Thompson 8, Kennedy, R 8, Hansen 7, Dalglish 8, ★**CASE 9**, Johnson 8, McDermott 8, Souness 8.
Grimsby: Batch 7, Moore, D 7, Crombie 6, ★**WATERS 8**, Wigginton 7, Stone 6, Broily 7, Kilmore 6 (sub. Ford 7), Drinkell 6, Mitchell 7, Cumming 7.
Referee: K. W. Baker (Rugby)
Match Rating: ★★

LUTON (0) 0
SWINDON (1) 2 (Rowland 28, Williams 82)
Att: 12,458
Luton: Findlay 6, Stephens 7, ★**DONAGHY 8**, Grealish 7, Saxby 7, Price 6, Hill 5, West 6, Stein 6 (sub. White 6), Hatton 6, Moss 6.
Swindon: ★**ALLAN 9**, Lewis 7, Stroud 6, McHale 7, Tucker 7, Carter 8, Miller 7, Kamara 7, Rowland 8, Mayes 7, Williams 7.
Referee: C. Downey (Hounslow)
Match Rating: ★★

MANSFIELD (0) 0
BRIGHTON (0) 2 (Ryan 54, Clarke 79)
Att: 8,204
Mansfield: Arnold 6, Dawkins 5, Foster, B 5 (sub. Burrows), Curtis 6, Bird 6, McClelland 7, Thompson 6, Taylor 4, Austin 5, Allen 5, ★**MANN 8**.
Brighton: Moseley 6, Gregory 5, Williams 6, Horton 7, Foster, S 5, Suddaby 6, Ryan 6, Ward 5, Clarke 5, ★**LAWRENSEN 8**, O'Sullivan 6.
Referee: C. O. Newsome (Shropshire)
Match Rating: ★★
Sending Off: Taylor (Mansfield)

MILLWALL (2) 5 (McKenna 16, Tagg 28, Lyons 58, 62, 75)
SHREWSBURY (0) 1 (Maguire 89)
Att: 7,026
Millwall: Jackson 6, Coleman 7 (sub. Kitchenier), Roberts 6, Mehmet 7, Tagg 7, Blyth 7, ★**TOWNER 9**, Seasman 6, McKenna 7, Lyons 8, O'Callaghan 7.
Shrewsbury: Wardle 6, King 7, Larkin 6, Turner 6, Griffin 6 (sub. Cross 6), Keay 7, ★**TONG 8**, Atkins 6, Biggins 6, Dungworth 6, Maguire 7.
Referee: L. C. Shapter (Newton Abbot)
Match Rating: ★★

NEWCASTLE (0) 0
CHESTER (1) 2 (Henderson 3, Rush 75)
Att: 25,548
Newcastle: Hardwick 5, Brownlie 6, Davies 6, ★**CASSIDY 8**, Barton 5, Boam 7, Shoulder 6, Cartwright 6, Withe 6, Rafferty 5, Hibbitt 6 (sub. Connolly 5).
Chester: Millington 7, Jeffries 7, Walker 7, Storton 7, ★**COTTAM 8**, Oakes 7, Sutcliffe 7, Jones 6, Rush 7, Phillips 7, Henderson 7.
Referee: A. Porter (Bolton)
Match Rating: ★★

NOTTS COUNTY (0) 1 (Hunt 63)
WOLVES (2) 3 (Berry 3, Carr 25, Richards 77)
Att: 14,836
Notts County: Leonard 6, Benjamin 7, O'Brien 6, Hunt 7, Kilcline 7, Blockley 6, McCulloch 7, ★**MASSON 8**, Christie 4, Hooks 5, Mair 6.
Wolves: Bradshaw 6, Palmer 6, Brazier 7, Daniel 5, McAlle 6, Berry 7, Hibbitt 7, ★**CARR 8**, Gray 6, Richards 6, Eves 5.
Referee: K. Hackett (Sheffield)
Match Rating: ★★

OLDHAM (0) 0
COVENTRY (1) 1 (Hutchison 16)
Att: 12,151
Oldham: Platt 5, Wood 6, Holt 5, Kowenicki 6, Clements 7, Hurst 7, Valentine 7, ★**HALOM 8**, Steel 7, Stainrod 7, Atkinson 6.
Coventry: ★**SEALEY 8**, Coop 6, McDonald 6, Gooding 7, Dyson 7, Gillespie 7, Nardiello 7, English 6, Ferguson 6, Blair 6, Hutchison 7.
Referee: G. P. Owen (Anglesey)
Match Rating: ★★

PRESTON (0) 0
IPSWICH (0) 3 (Mariner 55, 77, Brazil 65)
Att: 16,986
Preston: Tunks 8, Taylor 7, ★**McATEER 9**, Doyle 7, Baxter 7, O'Riordan 7, Bell 7, Haslegrave 6, Elliott 7, McGee 8, Bruce 7.
Ipswich: Cooper 8, Burley 8, Mills 8, Thijssen 8, Osman 8, Butcher 8, Wark 8 (sub. Beattie), Muhren 7, ★**MARINER 9**, Brazil 8, Gates 8.
Referee: J. Hough (Macclesfield)
Match Rating: ★★

QPR (1) 1 (Hazell 6)
WATFORD (2) 2 (Bolton 17, Rostrom 29)
Att: 19,398
QPR: ★**WOODS 7**, Shanks 6, Wallace 6, McCreery 6, Wicks 5, Hazell 6, Walsh 6 (sub. Burke 6), Waddock 6, Allen 6, Currie 6, Hill 6.
Watford: Steele 6, Henderson 6, Harrison 6, ★**PATCHING 8**, Sims 7, Bolton 7, Booth 6, Blissett 7, Ward 6, Train 6, Rostrom 7.
Referee: E. Read (Bristol)
Match Rating: ★★

READING (1) 2 (Earles 1, Heale 83)
COLCHESTER (0) 0
Att: 7,780
Reading: Death 7, Joslyn 7, White 7, ★**BOWMAN 8**, Hetzke 7, Moreline 7, Earles 7, Kearney 7, Heale 7, Sanchez 5, Lewis 7.
Colchester: Walker 6, Cook 6, Packer 6, ★**LESLIE 7**, Wignall 6, Downman 6, Wright 5, Gough 6 (sub. Rowles 5), Foley 6, Lee 6, Allinson 5.
Referee: A. R. Glasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

ROCHDALE v BURY — Match Postponed

SUNDERLAND (0) 0
BOLTON (1) 1 (Whatmore 20)
Att: 24,464
Sunderland: Siddall 6, Whitworth 6, Bolton 6, Clarke 6, Elliott 6, ★**BUCKLEY 7**, Arnott 6, Marangoni 6, Hawley 6 (sub. Rowell 6), Robson 6, Cummins 6.
Bolton: McDonagh 7, Clement 7, Nicholson 7, Greaves 7, ★**ALLARDYCE 8**, Walsh 7, Morgan 6, Whatmore 7, Gowling 6, Cantello 7, Reid 6.
Referee: D. Shaw (Cheshire)
Match Rating: ★★

SWANSEA (1) 2 (Toshack 25, 82)
CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 2 (Kember 74, Walsh 75)
Att: 17,970
Swansea: Letheren 5, Marustik 6, Rushbury 7, Charles 7, Stevenson 7, Giles 6, Craig 7, James 6, Waddle 7, ★**TOSHACK 8**, Mahoney 7.
Crystal Palace: ★**BURRIDGE 8**, Hinshelwood 7, Fenwick 6, Nicholas 7, Cannon 6, Gilbert 6, Kember 7, Francis 7, Flanagan 5 (sub. Murphy 6), Walsh 7, Hilaire 6.
Referee: P. G. Reeves (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★

TOTTENHAM (0) 1 (Ardiles 53)
MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 1 (McIlroy, pen 59)
Att: 45,207
Spurs: Aleksic 6, Hughton 6, Miller 6, Yorath 7, McAllister 6, Perryman 7, ★**ARDILES 9**, Jones 7, Gibson 5, Hoddle 6, Villa 5.
Man Utd: ★**BAILEY 8**, Nicholl 7, Houston 6, McIlroy 7, McQueen 7, Buchan 7, Coppell 6, Wilkins 7, Jordan 7, Macari 7, Thomas 7.
Referee: P. Partridge (Durham)
Match Rating: ★★

WBA (0) 1 (Regis 90)
WEST HAM (1) 1 (Pearson 32)
Att: 20,572
WBA: Godden 6, ★**BATSON 9**, Statham 7, Trewick 6, Wile 6, Robertson 7, Deehan 7, Brown, A 6, Regis 7, Owen 7, Barnes 7.
West Ham: ★**PARKES 10**, Stewart 6, Lampard 7, Bonds 8, Martin 8, Devonshire 6, Allen 7, Pearson 6, Pike 7, Brooking 7, Neighbour 7.
Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★

WREXHAM (1) 6 (Edwards 29, Vinter 55, 76, 78, McNeil 69, 89)
CHARLTON (0) 0
Att: 10,670
Wrexham: Davies 8, Darracott 7, Kenworthy 8, Davis 8, Jones 8 (sub. Hill 7), Fox 7, ★**VINTER 9**, Sutton 7, Edwards 8, McNeil 8, Carrodus 7.
Charlton: Wood 5, Hazell 5, Gritt 5, ★**TYDEMAN 7**, Berry 6, Madden 6, Powell 6, Warman 5, Hales 6, Walker 6 (sub. Ostergaard 5), Robinson 6.
Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: ★★

YEOVIL (0) 0
NORWICH (1) 3 (Paddon 22, Robson 86, Fashanu 87)
Att: 8,523
Yeovil: Parker 5, Battams 6, Payne 5, Jones 6, Harmon 7, Broom 7, Morrall 6, Scott 6, ★**GREEN 8**, Finnigan 7, Gold 7 (sub. Williams).
Norwich: Keelan 7, Bond 6, Downs 6, Ryan 7, Brown 7, ★**POWELL 8**, Mendham 6, Robson 7, Fashanu 7, Paddon 7, Peters 6.
Referee: R. Challis (Tonbridge)
Match Rating: ★★

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● The rest of the Saturday, January 5 Match Facts will appear in the next issue of **MATCH WEEKLY**.

Ask us

ADRIAN CHATWYN, of Wellingborough, Northants, asks:

What is the longest cup-tie on record?

● We only have to go back to 1971, Adrian. It was in the fourth qualifying round when Alvechurch finally beat Oxford City, the team Bobby Moore now manages, 1-0 after 11 hours and five replays.

JOHN QUIRKE, of Haleston, London NW 10, asks:

Which player scored the most goals in the First Division last season?

● It was Frank Worthington, then with Bolton, now with Birmingham, who found the net 24 times - 5 of them penalties.

ALLAN GRIFFITHS, of Walton, Liverpool, asks:

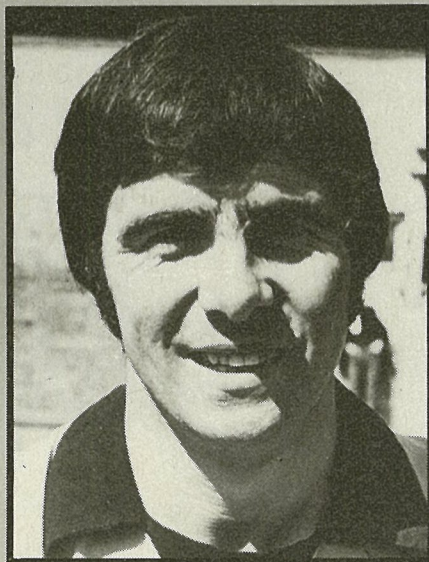
In what years were the English, Scottish, Welsh and Irish Football Associations formed?

● Notts. County, the oldest League club, was formed in 1863, but it was not until a year later that the English F.A. was formed. The other dates were: Scottish - 1873, Welsh - 1876, Irish - 1880.

JOHN DICKINSON, of Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, asks:

How many clubs has Bobby Gould played for, how many League goals has he scored and the number of League appearances he has made for each club?

● Bobby, who is now assistant manager at Chelsea is a much-travelled player. His first club was his home-town team Coventry for whom he made 78 League appearances and scored 40 League goals. The others were Arsenal (57, 16); Wolves (39, 18); West Bromwich Albion (52, 18); Bristol City (35, 15); West Ham (46, 15); Wolves (24, 13); Bristol Rovers (35, 12); Hereford (41, 13).



Bobby Gould

Winner of the Cassette Radio

Winner of the fabulous portable cassette radio player - first prize in our Crossword No. 13 - was Lee Bradshaw, 24 Stockwell Road, East Grinstead, Sussex.

Five other winners each receive a Candus leather football. They are: Bernard Wentworth, 1 The Ridgeway, Bebington, Wirral, Merseyside; Simon Cook, 77 Ashton Road, Newton-le-Willows, Merseyside; Stephen Swain, 89 Lady Lane, Chelmsford, Essex; Roger Sargeant, 'Robin Lodge', Horncastle Road, Woodhall Spa, Lincs.; Duane Edwards, 5 Cae Glas, Welshpool, Powis.

QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Hibernian; 2. Leeds United (beat Arsenal in 1972); 3. Osvaldo Ardiles; 4. Llanelli; 5. Luton Town; 6. Birmingham City; 7. Bangor City; 8. Gordon Hill (Derby County); 9. Ted Drake (played for Arsenal, managed Chelsea); 10. Notts. County; 11. Lord Kinnaird; 12. Dennis Butler (Port Vale); 13. Margate; 14. Jimmy Adamson; 15. Blackpool; 16. Raymond Kopa; 17. Peter Downsbrough; 18. Graham Kelly; 19. Argentine; 20. Arsenal.

SHORT CUT

Solution: George Berry, of Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Solution to Crossword No. 14:

ACROSS: 1. Don McAllister, 7. (Irving) Natrass, 8. (Dave) Thomas, 11. Soccer, 13. Red, 14. (Jock) Stein, 16. Ron Atkinson, 17. Win, 19. Ray Kennedy, 24. Anderlecht, 25. (Match of the) Day.

DOWN: 1. Doncaster, 2. Notts. County, 3. and 6. Alan Ross, 4. Lester, 5. (Richard) Symonds, 9. (Clive) Allen, 10. (Steve) Kindon, 12. (Peter) Eastoe, 15. (Steve) Wignall, 18. (John) Impey, 20. Ajax, 21. (Brian) Kidd, 22. Doc, 23. Utd.



IT'S FOOTBALL, INITIALLY

Solution: Ajax, Amsterdam; Billy Bremner; Cardiff City; Harry Haslam; Joe Jordan; Kevin Keegan; Kevin Keelan; Lokomotiv Leipzig; Raith Rovers; Wolverhampton Wanderers.

TRANSFERS

Solution: 1. Moore; 2. Dons; 3. Italy; 4. Maier; 5. Shoot; 6. Two-nil; 7. Wigan; 8. Wolves; 9. Reserve; 10. Reading.

SCORE SIX

Solution: 1. Teams; 2. Strip; 3. Trainer; 4. Names; 5. Stein; 6. Trips.

Frank's search

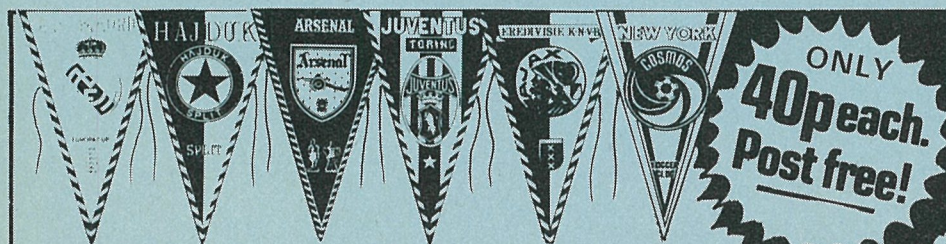
AFTER a lifetime playing alongside and managing some of the biggest names in soccer, Frank Upton is now coming to terms with a different trade - life on the dole.

Upton, who made his name as the inspiration behind the Aston Villa youth teams is now trying to forget an unhappy episode in Denmark, when a ten-month spell in charge of Second Division Freja ended when the club's money dried up.

"I think the only thing that's holding me up is opportunity. After all I've done most of the jobs there are to do in football," he told MATCH WEEKLY.

He's not kidding either. A playing career that took in Northampton, Derby (twice), Chelsea and Notts. County was then succeeded by jobs at Workington (player-manager), Northampton (chief scout), Aston Villa (youth coach) and Chelsea as assistant manager, caretaker-manager for 24 hours, and then assistant again to Danny Blanchflower. Lately he has been scouting for Derby.

It was at Villa where he found most success though. He nurtured along players of the quality of John Gidman, Brian Little and Gordon Cowans and in a six-year spell his sides reached ten finals and won the Southern Floodlight Cup three times running.



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